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WEATHER FORECAST
CLOUDY
Barometer 30.22

February 10, 1914. Temperature 6 a.m. 55. 2 p.m. 57
Humidity " 74. " 75

February 10, 1913. Temperature 6 a.m. 61. 2 p.m. 63.
Humidity " 87. " 72.

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TELEGRAMS.

PARLIAMENT.

A MOMENTOUS SESSION.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph,"]

London, Received February 9.
Members of the Houses of Parliament are flocking to London for "the most momentous session in history." The fight begins immediately after the King's Speech, the first shot to be fired being an Opposition amendment in both Houses, "regretting that the Government does not intend to consult the country in regard to Home Rule."

It is expected that Mr. Asquith will after this make an important announcement, detailing the concessions the Government are prepared to make to Ulster.
The action of the Opposition in proposing amendments in the House of Lords, contrary to the usual practice, is hotly resented by the Liberals, and is attributed to the influence of an irreconcilable section of the Peers, headed by Lord Willoughby de Broke, which has circulated the Peers, warning them against any compromise on the subject of Home Rule.

SWEDISH DEFENCES.

SOCIALIST PROTEST.

London, Received February 9.
Reuter's correspondent at Stockholm says as a counterblast to the demonstration by 30,000 peasants, urging stronger defence measures and a bigger Navy, Socialists to the number of 30,000 held a demonstration outside the Government offices, demanding the diminution of armaments.
The Premier, replying to a deputation, said he was absolutely convinced that the Swedish nation would be compelled to make great sacrifices for the defence of the country.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

A SENSATIONAL ARREST.

London, Received February 9.
Reuter's correspondent at Nancy says a search at the house of a farmer arrested on suspicion at Fort Lucy resulted in the discovery of a number of annotated staff maps and documents relating to defences of several garrison towns, showing that the man had had relations with Germany for 15 years.

BAGHDAD RAILWAY.

SATISFACTORY NEGOTIATIONS.

London, Received February 9.
Reuter learns that the Anglo-Turkish negotiations in regard to the Bagdad Railway and other matters are progressing satisfactorily, and that a final settlement is expected shortly.

LABOURITES CHAIRMAN.

London, Received February 10.
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has been re-elected Chairman of the Labour Party, which has decided on an official amendment to the Address from the Throne to deal with the South African deportations.

OFFICIAL'S DEATH.

SEQUEL TO ACCIDENT.

London, Received February 10.
Reuter's correspondent at Buxton, Persia, says Mr. Dorimer, the acting British Political Resident, has died as the result of an accident.

TELEGRAMS.

NAVAL SUPREMACY.

COMMERCIAL SUPPORT.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph,"]

London, Received February 10.
A large and representative meeting of citizens, held at the Guildhall, unanimously passed a resolution assuring the Government of the support of the commercial community in any measures which may be taken for ensuring the supremacy of the Navy and the safety of the Empire.
The speakers emphasised that there could not be more funds economy than to refuse funds adequate for the defence of the country.

OBITUARY.

MR. J. BRIERLEY.

London, Received February 10.
The death is announced of Mr. J. Brierley, B.A., author and journalist, the author of many publications on religious and literary subjects.
Major General Sir Stuart Brownlow Beaton, K.C.B., is dead.

KIKUYU QUESTION.

IMPORTANT STATEMENT.

London, Received February 10.
The Archbishop of Canterbury, in a statement sent to the Kikuyu controversy, declines to allow proceedings of heresy and schism against the Bishops of Uganda and Mombasa, but as questions of far-reaching importance are raised he has decided to submit the question to a consultative body of fourteen bishops meeting in July.

THE APPEAL CASE.

Further Argument This Morning.

Sir Haviland de Saumarez, Chief Justice, H. B. M. Supreme Court of Hong Kong (President), His Honour Sir William Rees Davies (Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong) and His Honour Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz (Puisne Judge) continued in Full Court of Appeal at the Supreme Court, Hong Kong, this morning.
The case was one in which Ho San Lam, alias Ho Ngok Law, appellant, asked that the judgment of the Chief Justice in the case of Ho Chin Lam, alias Ho Yin Tong v. Ho San Lam, in favour of the plaintiff be set aside and a new trial be ordered before a judge and jury.

Mr. E. H. Sharp K. O., and Mr. C. G. Alabaster instructed by Messrs Wilkinson and Griss, appeared for the appellant, and Mr. Eldon Potter and Mr. F. O. Jenkin, instructed by Messrs Leo D'Almada e Castro, and Otto Kong Sing, for the respondent.

Mr. Jenkin addressed the court, on behalf of the respondents, dealing with the question of the accounts between the parties. He pointed out that in his letters the defendant always said that the accounts had been handed to the plaintiff for inspection and apparently he seemed to think that that was the same thing as saying that they were agreed upon. Counsel submitted that the Chief Justice's judgment that no agreement on accounts existed was correct. Mr. Sharp had argued that the retiring notes showed that the accounts were agreed upon but the criticism of the Chief Justice on those was that if the notes had any value at all on that point they should have said specifically that an agreement had been come to.
The case was proceeding as we went to press.

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AFRICAN TROUBLE.

DEBATE RESUMED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph,"]

London, Received February 10.
Reuter's correspondent at Cape Town reports that the debate on the indemnity against the interests of the workers as described in the Bill has been resumed. The Labour leader, Mr. Oreswell, declared that the Government and the mineowners had combined in the Bill which was a monument of audacity. The original cause of the trouble was the brutality of the Government in July.

INVESTMENT MARKET.

THE BOOM CONTINUES.

London, Received February 9.
A Four and a Half per cent. Canadian North-Western Loan of \$1,320,000 sterling, at a price of 93, has been fully subscribed.

London, Received February 10.
A South African Union Government Four per cent. Loan of \$4,000,000 sterling, at 93, is imminent.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR COLLECTORS.

There will be offered for sale by public auction at Mr. G. P. Lammett's sales room on Thursday and Saturday next commencing at 2.30 p.m. on each day, a very fine collection of antique china and curios, which has just been received from the North. The collection is now on view, and from an inspection which we made this morning it is clear that collectors will have a grand opportunity of adding to their stocks. In all there are over 700 lots to be sold, and the aggregate value is put at well over \$20,000.

Most of the articles to be offered are from the Ming, Kanghi, Yang Ching and Kien Lung Dynasties, and the variety is as noteworthy as is the excellence of the stuff. There is a wide selection of blue and white, famille rose and sang-de-boeuf, while special attention should be drawn to the beautiful lot of white porcelain, which includes some remarkably fine "Goddesses of Mercy" of the Ming period. Another feature is the large number of blackwood screens, with Kien Lung and Yang Ching plaques inlaid, while there is also a very varied assortment of Kien Lung enamel ware in the way of saucers, flower pots, etc. Apart from the pottery, porcelain, etc., there will be offered some magnificent ancient Chinese paintings, which include portraits of the Sages, Emperors, etc. These are beautiful works of art, and there is a big assortment to choose from. A visit to the sales rooms is well worth being made.

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

The Hongkong Shield Competition.
In the competition for the Hongkong Shield competition three matches in the first round will take place this week. They are as follow:—
On Wednesday R. E. Versus H. M. S. Tamar, at Happy Valley at 4 o'clock.
The R. G. A. Versus Police on Friday, on the Hongkong F. C. ground, at 4 o'clock.
The Hongkong Club versus H. M. S. Minotaur on Saturday, at 4 o'clock.

YACHTING.
C.Y.C. Championship Races.
On Sunday two races were sailed in connection with the

TELEGRAMS.

THE SUFFRAGISTS.

A MILITANT "SPLIT."

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph,"]

London, Received February 10.
A "split" has occurred in the ranks of the militant suffragists. Miss Sylvia Pankhurst has seceded from the Women's Social and Political Union, which will be directed by her mother and Miss Christabel Pankhurst. Miss Sylvia Pankhurst forming her own organisation in the East End.

NEW CHINESE MINISTER.

London, Received February 10.
His Majesty the King has granted an audience to the new Chinese Minister to London.

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ALL QUIET NOW.

London, Received February 10.
Reuter's correspondent at Lima states that order has been completely assured, and trade is again normal.

Corinthian Yacht Club—the third cruiser race and the resailed fourth championship ship race for Gael Class boats with European crews. The week-end was rather calm, and the racing was therefore not so interesting as usual. The results were:—
Third Cruiser Race:—Odessa Lamsa island, starboard; about 25 miles. Starting gun at 9.30.—
Time.
1. Norseman 58 min. 5.57.20 p.m.
2. Erin 53 min. 30 sec 5.10.20 p.m.
3. Evadne 62 min. 30 sec 5.28.32 p.m.
4. Queen Bee 37 min. 30 sec 5.43.53 p.m.

Re-sailed Gael Class Race: Course No. 12 (Troas Rocks, Channel Rocks and Kowloon Rocks, all port), 10 1/2 miles. Starting gun 10.30 a.m. Times.
1. Joan 3.18.41 p.m.
2. Theola 3.28.35 p.m.
3. Beatrice 1 min. 48 sec. 8.33.20 p.m.
Gael and Astoria did not finish. Championship Races.
Points to date:
Handicap Class:—1. a. Linda 53; Violet 54; Ayesha 44; Dorothea 44; Kathleen 38; Bolla 28; Helycon 21; Lily 15; Vera 6.
Heyward Hays Class:—Bat 40; Dawn 35; White Rose 35; Sirius 31; Owl 26; Lyabeth 11.
Gael Class:—Gael 28; Theola 25; Beatrice 22; Astoria 21; Joan 20.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.
The first match of the second round of the Challenge Cup competition will be played on Wednesday evening at 4.45 when the Navy meet the Club. The following players will do duty for the Club:—Full back, C. F. Maltby; three-quarter backs, A. S. Kempthorne, A. L. Gace, W. A. Nowers, and A. N. Joseland; half backs, H. S. Rouse, and Jasper Clark; Forwards, A. Murdoch; F. O. Ball; S. B. B. McElderry; H. G. Hegarty; C. Woodhead; J. M. Walker; J. R. Watson, and A. F. Deane.

A Careless Truckman.
The attraction of some brand new cement on the Kennedy Town Quay caused a Chinese to take his truck on the wrong side of the road to travel over it; and this in spite of the presence of a man to keep the traffic off the new cement. Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court this morning, marking his disapprobation of this course of procedure by imposing a fine of \$5.

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JAPANESE NAVY.

[REDUCED VOTE.]

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph,"]

London, Received February 10.
Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo states that the Budget Committee of the Diet has voted for a reduction in the Navy Estimates by three million sterling.

WELSH DISASTER.

STARTLING SEQUEL.

London, Received February 10.
A sensation was caused at the Home Office enquiry into the disaster at the Universal Colliery, near Cardiff, when fireman Davies admitted that he found an explosive mixture in the pit a few hours previously, but did not report it.
Despite the warnings of the Commissioner, Davies added that once before he did not report a similar discovery.

Cracker Firing Near Hospital.
Thirty-six Chinese appeared in Mr. Hazeland's Court this morning, charged with firing crackers during Chinese New Year in a prohibited area. They had discharged their fireworks in the vicinity of the Government Civil Hospital, and were fined as a result, \$2 each.

Amateur Dramatic Club.
The booking of seats for the two performances of the three episodes to be presented by the A.D.O. on the 21st and 28th inst. commenced at Montre's yesterday (Monday), and both nights show promise of a "full house." There are still some seats available, but in order to prevent disappointment, early booking is particularly desirable. There will be only two performances, as advertised. This is the 100th production of the A.D.O.

Big Congregation of Liners.
Close observers of shipping in Hongkong would notice that yesterday there was a big congregation of liners in the Harbour. There was the Empress of Asia, Empress of Japan, Chinyo Maru, Minnesota, Nera, and the Cordillera.

Gift of H.M.S. Hampshire.
A very handsome silver cup has been received at the Sport Club, Bangkok, from the Captain and officers of the British cruiser Hampshire. A fine picture of the warship has also been received.

Presentation to Dr. Wilder.
At a reception held in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. at Shanghai on the 3rd inst. a number of students returned from Europe and the United States, and resident members of the association, met to say good-bye to Dr. Wilder (formerly U.S. Consul in Hongkong) and at the same time present to him a very handsome carved blackwood table, with silver inscriptions inlaid. Many prominent Chinese were present. A most interesting feature of the occasion was the excellent rendering of part songs by a Chinese choir. It was the first appearance of the choir in public, and the first event of the kind in the history of the country.

The Soap Ramours.
Mr. E. S. Little, the general manager at Shanghai for Messrs. Brunner Mond, when interviewed regarding the rumour of a soap combine being established in China said:—"I really must decline, at this stage, to say anything at all. I will neither deny nor confirm the report. About May I shall be going to England and when I come back possibly I may be able to say something."

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GERMAN ROYALTY.

A COMING TOUR.

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Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that it is semi-officially announced that the Crown Prince and Princess are considering a tour in the coming summer round Africa, visiting the German Colonies.

EMBEZZLEMENT.

FLEET PAYMASTER SENTENCED.

London, Received February 10.
Fleet Paymaster Lowry has been sentenced to three years' penal servitude for embezzling a sum of \$13,561 from public funds.

THE DAVIS CUP.

Some Suggested Changes.
The English Lawn Tennis Association is coming to the fore with numerous suggestions for changes in the Davis Cup and general tennis rules. The English association proposes to submit at the International Lawn Tennis Federation meeting in March a new service regulation which differs widely from the present rule. It understood that if the new regulation is adopted, it will be necessary for the server to replace the foot raised from the ground in service behind the base line before stepping into the court, instead of swinging into the court with the raised foot once the service is completed, as is permissible under the existing code. This change would have the effect of slowing up a player who follows his service to the net. Since a large proportion of English players advocate the deep court game it would be less detrimental to the English game than to that of almost any other country where tennis has reached high-class status.
A number of changes in the rules governing the Davis cup play are also put forward as desirable, although England lost the international tennis trophy last July when the United States team defeated the cup defenders, three matches out of five. The English Lawn Tennis Association would allow the playing of Davis cup matches on turf or natural or artificial gritty material, which description appears more likely to fit a gravel than a dirt court.
Another proposed change would bar a player from competing for any country but the one which he represented in his first Davis cup play. The powers of the referees also are increased by the suggested changes, and a number of other rather technical alterations proposed.

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King George has received the new Chinese Minister.

Mr. Pauw, manager, and Mr. Leggett, assistant of the Melalap Estate, Borneo, have been murdered by a coolie.

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NEWS.

Training notes, together with times recorded, concerning today's gallops at the Racecourse appear in this issue.

The wedding took place to-day of Mr. J. R. Maughan and Miss Winifred Lawrence.

Football and yachting is covered under the heading of local sport to-day.

St. Joseph's Boy Scouts are appealing for funds for a band and Scout Hall.

The Sikh temple case was concluded in the Police Court to-day.

The proceedings at the meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company are reported to-day.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

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Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Thursday, February 12.
The Idol's Eye—Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Friday, February 13.
The Idol's Eye—Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
25th Punjab Sports, U.S.R.C.

Saturday, February 14.
The Idol's Eye—Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Half yearly meeting of Shareholders Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—noon.
Hampshire Estate and Finance Co. Ltd. annual General meeting—11.30 a.m.

Monday, February 16.
Jockey Club Race Meeting, Happy Valley.
Maud Allan at Theatre Royal, 2.15 p.m.

Tuesday, February 17.
Maud Allan at Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Wednesday, February 18.
Maud Allan at Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Thursday, February 19.
Ball at Government House.

Thursday, February 26.
Annual meeting Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.—noon.

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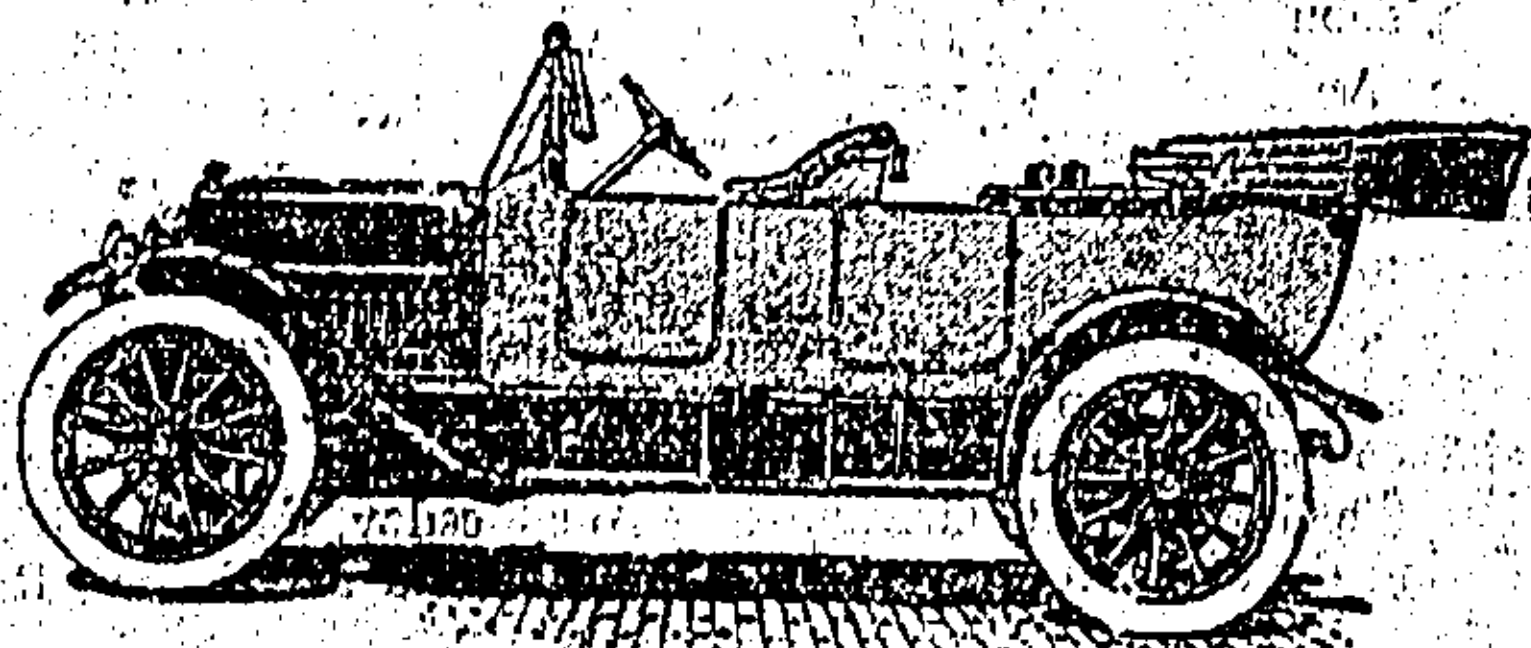


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under such a system far-reaching
policies are impossible; but
unless the President himself can
be guaranteed against all the ills
that flesh is heir to, continuity of
policy is scarcely assured by
vesting responsibility in a single
individual. That is a question,
however, which remains to be
definitely settled, though its
settlement in the President's
favour is probably a foregone
conclusion. With that point
gained, Yuan Shih-kai will pos-
sibly practically all the powers of
an autocratic ruler, with the con-
fidence of the nation added. The
future will show how those
powers will be used. We venture
to believe that they will not be
abused, and that if his life be
spared till the end of the first
term of his Presidency Yuan
Shih-kai, if we correctly appre-
hend the trend of his plans, will
have earned a reputation for con-
structive statesmanship which
will make his Presidential reign
an epoch of tremendous signifi-
cance in the history of the country.
We can be quite sure that China
will never go back. Progress is
the watchword, and the President
is evidently resolved that it shall
be sure though it may be slow.

South China Morning Post.

Canton's Money Trouble.

The only trouble in Canton at
present, as stated by Governor
General Lung in an interview
accorded to our representative on
Saturday, is the currency ques-
tion. Not until that is settled and
the currency restored to its full
face value can the best-laid plans
of the Government be given
effect to. The Government is
not only severely handicapped by
the heavy discount but trade
suffers and discontent is fostered
in circles where otherwise perfect
harmony would prevail. Govern-
ment notes are valued at present
at something like 65 cents to the
dollar, a loss which is reflected
in an equivalent loss in the cost
of living. To solve the problem
a number of enthusiastic Chinese
have laid their heads together in
an effort to find a bank with a
capital of no less than thirty
million dollars. The scheme is
ambitious enough and evidently
has the full support of the
Governor General and his asso-
ciates. Unfortunately, however,
previous experience of similar
undertakings on a smaller scale
is none too encouraging.

China Mail.

Panama Canal Toll Dues.

In a telegram received the other
day, Reuter informed us that
President Wilson had virtually
pledged himself to do his utmost
to eliminate the clause in the
Panama act allowing American
coasting vessels to use the Canal
without payment of dues. It is
now interesting to consider upon
what basis the toll dues are to be
placed. The President has
recently proclaimed the Rules for
the "Measurement of Vessels for
the Panama Canal," and as their
application is a matter of great
importance to the shipping com-
pany, we will indicate their
main features and show how
they differ from the British In-
nings Rules, and also from those
applicable to vessels passing
through the Suez Canal. In the
first place we must confess to
some disappointment on finding
that the Suez Canal Rules have
been made the main basis for the
Panama Canal Rules. We had
hoped that the American Govern-
ment would have viewed Panama
Canal more as an investment for
strategical and naval purposes
than as a commercial venture
requiring the earning of interest
on the immense capital which
has been sunk in the under-
taking. We think that the
British Board of Trade regula-
tions would have afforded an
equitable basis for the Panama
Canal dues; and that the ad-
option of those regulations would
have given more general satisfac-
tion to the users of the canal
than any other rules.

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GENERAL NEWS.

P. M. S. Appointments.
The Straits Echo learns on good authority that when Sir Edward Brockman, K.C.M.G., goes on leave Mr. R. G. Watson, C.M.G., will act as Chief Secretary, and Mr. Oliver Marks as Resident of Perak. The Hon. F. J. Pigott and Mr. Hay are both going on leave in the spring and Mr. Eyre Kenny will act as Colonial Engineer and Mr. Townor as Deputy Colonial Engineer. With regard to Sir Edward Brockman, the Malay Mail is informed that he will leave for home some time in April, the date not yet having been definitely fixed, and that Mr. R. G. Watson will act as Chief Secretary. Of the statement as to Mr. Marks and the Residency of Perak our contemporary can obtain no confirmation. The appointment of Mr. Eyre Kenny is also confirmed.

Eleven Statues.
The scheme of Mr. D. A. Thomas, the Welsh coalowner, for the decoration of the Cardiff City Hall with statues of Welsh personalities, has been revived, and the cost of the design is now estimated at £200,000. The original scheme was for ten statues, but the new design is for eleven, one of these to be a central figure of St. David, by Sir W. Goscombe John, R.A., with ten others grouped round it. The eleventh statue will probably be that of Queen Boudicca.

A Prince's Death.
Prince Sanjo, Kimiomi, of Japan, died on the 30th ultimo. The deceased prince was the eldest son of the late Prince Sanjo Sanetomi, who figured as a prominent leader in the Meiji Restoration. He appears to have been of weak constitution from his youth, being a frequent sufferer from serious illnesses. He was, however, a versatile and talented man, and his attainments in photography, calligraphy, and painting exceeded those of many professionals.

Was 1913 an Unlucky Year?
A correspondent in the Mail says that he does not remember a more unlucky year than 1913. Undoubtedly the "boom" time which we have enjoyed is on the wane—even Liberal statesmen confess it; in Ireland we have been brought to the verge of civil war; and in the world of labour we have experienced such a state of unrest that a high dignity of the church was declared to have started on the road to anarchy. In South Wales we had the worst colliery disaster Great Britain has ever known, more than 400 lives being lost. Franco has beaten us at boxing, and a young American has defeated our golf champions. These are only a few incidents which occur to me. Isn't the word "unlucky" justified?

Municipal Motor Car-A-Bancs.
The Municipal car-a-banc is becoming a popular feature of most towns of any size in South Africa. It has been found that a considerable amount of passenger traffic is altogether lost outside the area of the tramway systems, and so far very successful results have followed the introduction of these vehicles.

Peter Pays Paul.
The Customs Department of New Zealand was recently fined £4 by the General Post Office of the Dominion for receiving coins in an unregistered envelope, these being four half-sovereigns placed in small flaps cut in a piece of cardboard and anonymously sent as conscience money to the Collector of Customs at Dunedin.

Mr. Gould's Challenge.
Mr. Jay Gould, the young amateur tennis champion of America, has issued a challenge to G. F. Covey, the world's tennis champion. The challenge has been accepted, and the match will be played at Philadelphia in March. Covey beat "Punch" Fairs for the world's championship last year at Prince's Club. He is professional to Mr. Neville Lytton (British amateur champion in 1911), and has been one of the leading players during the last ten years. Mr. Jay Gould is the young millionaire player who was only seventeen years old when, in 1906, he first met Mr. Eustace Miles and was beaten by him for the British championship. He had his revenge, however, the next year, and retained the title in 1908. Mr. Gould did not defend his title in 1909.

THE PIANO-PLAYER.

Answer to Perturbed Critics.

For a man to put in a plea for the piano-player in these days is to make a good many worthy people doubt his sanity or his honesty, or both, writes Mr. Ernest Newman in the English Review, but if to praise the piano-player is to work one's own damnation, one has at least the consolation of being damned in excellent company.

Perhaps I ought not to drag in the names of more composers—such as Strauss, Grieg, Elgar, Sorabine, Max Bruch, Faure, Humperdinck, Mascagni, Max Reger, Saint-Saens, Max Schillings, Balakirew, D. Busy, Glazounow, Liapounow, Rimsky-Korsakoff, and Sinding—who have sung the praises of one or other of these instruments. Their evidence may be tainted; these abandoned fellows, together with conductors like Nikisch, Colonne, Chevillard, Landon Ronald, and Sir Henry Wood, may also be, or have been when they were alive, in the pay of "the makers."

But when we are told, especially by amateur pianists, that the piano-player is a soulless machine that an self-respecting musician would be seen sitting down to, we may remind them that some of the warmest commendations of it have come from pianists of the front rank, such as Busoni, Harold Bauer, d'Albert, Bickhaus, Cariani, Dohnanyi, Arthur Friedheim, Gabriowitch, Mark Hambourg, Josef Hofmann, Frederic Lamond, Wanda Landowska, Pugno, Sauer, Tavernier, Szanto, Rosenthal, and Leschetizki.

Inexperienced Critics.
The truth is that the opposition to the piano-player comes mainly from people who have had no practical experience of the best it can do, and from piano-teacher who are afraid that their vested interests are in danger. But from whatever cause and from whatever source the opposition comes, it is utterly futile. The piano-player has come to stay, and not all the cobwebs in the world will get rid of it now.

There are already in England some fifty firms engaged in the manufacture or importation of these instruments; and the number is certain to increase. The agents of the higher-class pianos in some towns will tell you that they can hardly keep pace with the demand for them. For good or ill, here is a new factor in the musical life of the country that will have to be taken seriously.

Some perturbed musicians see in this enthusiasm for "mechanical instruments" the beginning of the end. My own view is that these instruments can in no circumstances do harm, that a piano-player in every home—even the musical home, where everyone can play pretty well by hand—would be an unmixed blessing.

I grant that there is a great difference at present between even the best piano-player performer and that of a first-rate pianist. No doubt after another hundred years of improvements in these instruments the same difference will still be noticeable. But already it is possible for a first-class piano-player performer to get much better results from a fine instrument than most people would a priori be inclined to believe.

Prejudice.
It is difficult for the average man to rid himself wholly of prejudice in affairs of this kind; no matter how hard he may try, the knowledge that it is a piano-player that is being operated upon inevitably affects his judgment. He is prepared to hear a machine, and accordingly it is a machine that he hears. Imagination and memory play a much greater part in our visual and auditory perceptions than most people think. The user of the piano-player sees some striking instance of this.

A melodic note, for example, that should be prolonged through two or three bars disappears soon after it is struck. At first the performer will attribute this to some inherent defect in the piano-player; but if he will play the same passage by hand, and listen carefully, he will find that the note gives out too soon under these conditions also. The reason why he has never noticed it before is that his eye has been

THE MAUD ALLAN VISIT.

Extraordinary enthusiasm is being roused in the Far East, over the forthcoming visit of the famous Maud Allan and the Cherniavskys. Their recitals take place here on 16th, 17th and 18th inst. in the Theatre Royal. The box plan is open at Moutries.

There is hardly another classical dancer in the world who has created such a sensation as Maud Allan, owing to the wonderful magnetism she seems to put into her creations. The combination with Maud Allan of the brilliant Russian artists, Leo, Jan and Mischel Cherniavsky, is attracting much attention in musical circles. Youthful as the latter are, they are magnificent exponents in the art of violin, piano and cello playing. Their concerts at the Queen's Hall, London, caused quite a furore, and musical critics vied with one another in giving all the three brothers unstinted praise. Jan's piano-forte playing is written of as having a marvellous resemblance to that of Paderm, today's greatest exponent of Chopin's works. The most famous cellists were agog at Mischel's cello playing, youthful as he is, comparing in brilliance with the greatest of to-day's artists. Leo's violin playing has a great and marvellous originality and fire about it, accountable perhaps from the fierce during of the race to which he belongs. The Czar of Russia takes the keenest interest in the career of his clever young subjects, who are going to receive a reception from royalty when they return to St. Petersburg.

The Far Eastern tour is under the direction of Mr. D. E. D. Cohen.

the note on paper, and his imagination has carried it on after it has ceased to sound on the piano-forte.

Our hearing, assisted by our eye, is always playing us tricks of this kind, as we soon discover when we submit ourselves to a test in which the evidence of the eye is excluded. Strange as it may seem, hardly one person in ten can tell merely from the tone itself, whether it is a Strad, or a brand new violin that is being played upon, as was shown by some public experiments in Berlin a few years ago. I am confident that an experiment of the same kind with a piano-player and an ordinary pianoforte, each played behind a screen, would lead to a large number of wrong guesses as to which was which.

Wanted—The Open Mind.
If the open-minded reader will go so far with me as to believe that the piano-player is an instrument with more artistic possibilities than it is usually credited with, I will cheerfully concede that it is far from being perfect as yet. But bit by bit, year by year, it will be improved. The instrument of to-day makes one wonder how anyone could ever have taken seriously the instrument of fifteen years ago; and our present instruments will no doubt cause the same irreverent hilarity among the musicians of twenty years hence.

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I have met with men without the slightest pretension to any book knowledge of music, who yet can play their Chopin or their Schubmann with astonishing fire and understanding. All this is bound to have its effect in time. The piano-player will bring about a great many changes in our musical habits during the next twenty years or so, but that its influence will be overwhelmingly on the good side I do not see how any unprejudiced person can doubt.

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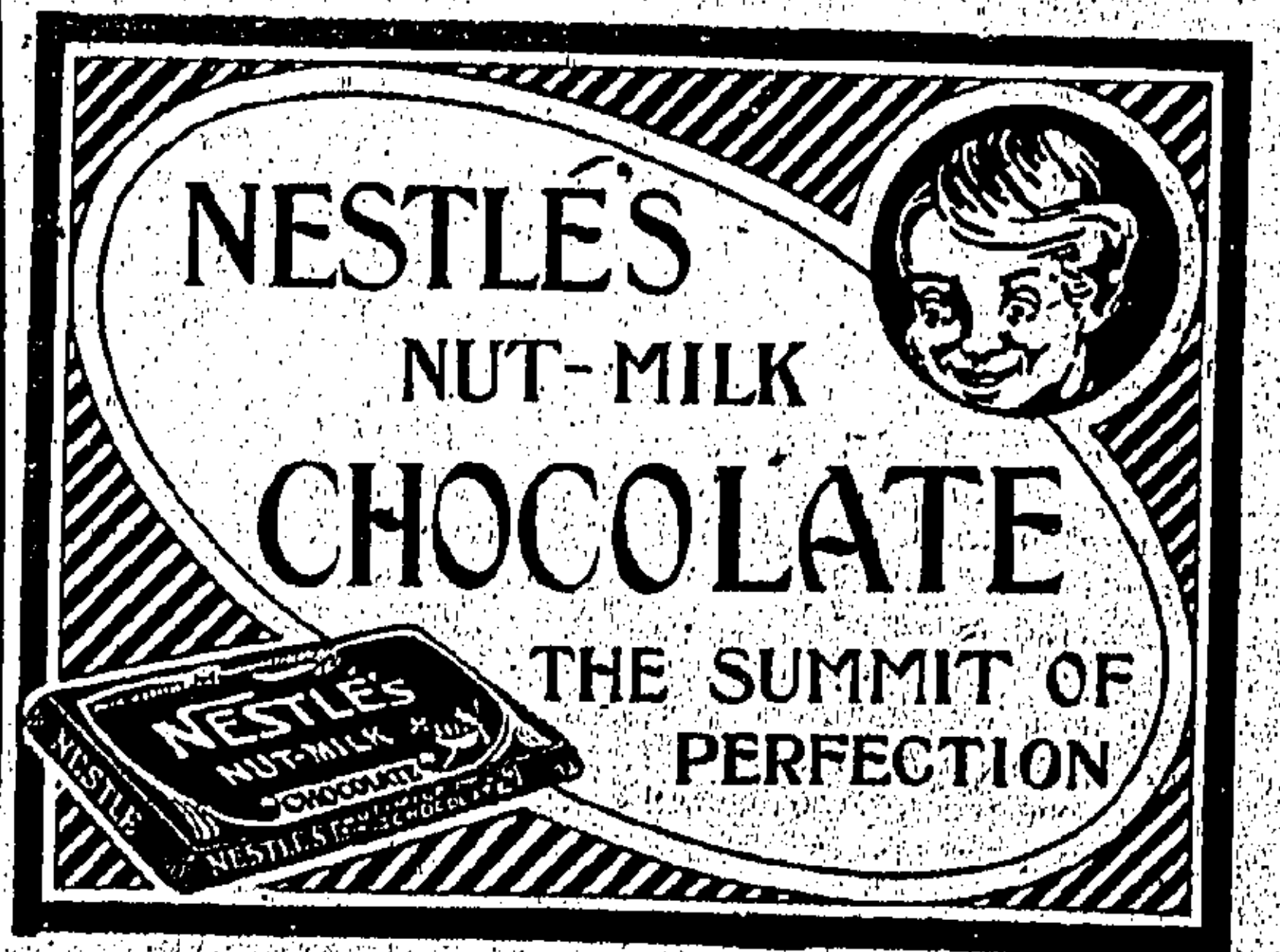
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WEDDING.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1914.

THE CABINET AND THE NAVY.

We shall not have to wait many days now before we know in definite terms the extent of the appropriations which the Government intends to set aside for the purpose of meeting the year's expenditure on armaments. Looking back on the events of the past few weeks it is quite palpable that a definite cleavage of opinion existed in the Cabinet over this matter of the Naval Estimates. That fact was demonstrated by the conflicting character of the public utterances of the First Lord of the Admiralty and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the general belief that there was such a "split" was confirmed by the absence of any official denial. It was a case of silence signifying consent. At one time it was feared that it would be found impossible to compose the differences, and that the Cabinet might in consequence break up. Other possibilities were either that Mr. Churchill would meet the political danger of the moment by making some show of concession to Mr. Lloyd George and his supporters in the Cabinet, or that the Chancellor of the Exchequer would be compelled to come into line with the Mr. Churchill's demand for insistence on a full and adequate naval programme.

Though the coming Estimates may not go the full length of the wishes of the extreme section of the Big Navy school, we think sufficient has already leaked out to warrant the view that they will show that the last of the three alternatives mentioned above has been accepted as a solution of the difficulties. If Press forecasts are realised, naval expenditure this year should reach the phenomenal figure of well over fifty millions sterling, or an increase of seven millions when contrasted with last year. These are astounding figures, but, regarded in the light of a national insurance premium against the risk of attack or humiliation in the councils of the world, no one will say that the price is too great. We may regret the necessity for so big a payment, but, admitting the necessity, the viewpoint of the Strong Navy party at once becomes clear and convincing. We can afford to take risks on small issues; we cannot afford to do so on vital matters. That is the answer to the Lloyd George school, the leading spirits of which have evidently been given a rude setback on their attempt to intermeddle in issues upon which they have not the least qualification to speak. The short-sightedness and presumption of these folk are patently illustrated when it is borne in mind that they even go the length of advocating independent reduction of armaments by Britain, a policy which Lord Curzon has appropriately dubbed one of "monumental madness."

Mr. Lloyd George has a habit of making incursions into the field of international politics, to the danger, it may be said, of the nation as a whole. But if Mr. Churchill's demands are carried through, the Chancellor of the Exchequer will find himself greatly embarrassed when he comes to face the House in discussion of the Navy Estimates. As one of the leading Home papers recently put it, even if merely by his presence on the Treasury Bench he gives a silent acquiescence to the First Lord's demands, he will have stultified himself and admitted a humiliating personal defeat. That will not, of course, matter much. The only hope is that he will have profited by the experience.

Railway Enterprise.

We are glad to note that a spirit of enterprise is being shown by the Hongkong Government in its policy on what is one of the biggest and most important undertakings to which it has put its hands—namely, the railway. Since the inauguration of the British section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway a most progressive line has been followed by the authorities. The time-table has from time to time been improved and extended, special trains are periodically run in connection with the golf links at Fanling, cheap rates of travelling have been arranged, and a successful branch line has been laid down at Shantankok, this latter proving a decidedly paying "feeder" to the main traffic. Over and beyond all this, is the fact that work has been commenced on the big terminal station, which will involve the expenditure of many thousands of dollars—dollars which, in the future development of the peninsula, will have no hesitation in saying, prove to be well spent. Looking Ahead.

The latest enterprise foreshadowed, as the *Telegraph* has reported, is a possible institution of night expresses to and from Kowloon and Canton. Assuredly, we are progressing. If the scheme is carried out, it will be interesting to see what the response of the public is. At present the only night service to Canton is by steamer, but the train service, if instituted, will be quicker and very likely much cheaper. Viewed in this way, the experiment will be most interesting. And it will be only the beginning of greater things, for when the connection is established between Canton and Hong Kong we may expect to see the Kowloon-Canton express periodically steaming out of the station on the other side of the harbour. That is a dream of the future, but it is a dream which will soon come true.

NEW CANTON BANK.

Draft Scheme Disapproved by President Yuan.

From enquiries which we have made, we understand that there has been a temporary setback to the scheme for the establishment of a new bank at Canton in connection with the redemption of the debased currency notes. After the meeting of Canton and Hongkong merchants in Canton Chamber of Commerce hall, on Wednesday last, the draft regulations were amended in certain respects, and a new scheme drawn up and submitted by telegram to President Yuan Shih-kai by the Provincial Treasurer. Subsequently a telegraphic message was received from the President stating that did not altogether approve the scheme. As a consequence of this development, there will be a further consideration of the regulations in order that they may be brought into line with the President's wishes.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

B-Y SCOUT APPEAL.

Sir,—With reference to our two large Troops of Boy Scouts and Boy Guides we have reached such large numbers that it has become necessary to find or home for them, and with the object of building a hall and organising a band, I am issuing an appeal.

I have received two handsome subscriptions for the Band and am now laying the scheme before the public and claim their practical sympathy and substantial aid in this the greatest work of all—that of training our young lads and men in the best and highest way. I have the honour to ask you if you will grant me a space in your well known paper from time to time to acknowledge gifts which will be gratefully received by,

A. J. EDWARDS,
Scout Master.

Hongkong, February 10, 1914.
[We shall be pleased to acknowledge in our columns any donations received.—Ed.]

DAY BY DAY.

CHEERFULNESS IS A SMALL VIRTUE, IT IS TRUE, BUT IT SHEDS SUCH A BRIGHTNESS AROUND US IN THIS LIFE THAT NEITHER DARK CLOUDS NOR RAIN CAN DISPEL ITS HAPPY INFLUENCE.—Alexander.

The Mails.
Siberian Mail.—Left per s.s. Nera at daylight, to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s. Chenan to-day.
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Australian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Nikko Maru at 9 a.m. to-morrow.

H.M.S. Minotaur to be Re-commissioned.
H.M.S. Minotaur is to be re-commissioned in November for service on the China Station.

Obstruction.
For causing an obstruction on the road at West Point, Mr. Hazell fined two Chinese at the Police Court this morning \$7 each.

The American Boys' Entertainment.
The entertainment to be given by the American boys at the Sea men's Institute to-morrow, will commence at 8.30 p.m.

Mrs. Moller Detained in Shanghai.

Owing to unavoidable circumstances arising, Mrs. Moller, the wife of Mr. Moller the well-known rider, could not proceed to Hongkong with her husband for the races.

Ordinance Contravened.
Five Chinese were fined \$10 each by Mr. J.R. Wood at the Police Court, this morning, for contravention of the Stamp Ordinance. Sgt. Watt prosecuted.

Binoculars Reported Stolen.
Mr. Sheller, secretary at the German Consulate, has reported to the police that between the 7th and 8th inst. some person stole from his office a pair of binoculars valued at \$40.

Found Unconscious.

A Chinese male, aged 55, has according to the police report, been removed to the Government Civil Hospital. He was found in an unconscious condition in the Public Gardens.

Theft of Singlet.

A cotton singlet and its theft, brought a man before Mr. Hazell at the Police Court this morning. The theft was proved, and the man was sent to prison for one month and four hours stocks.

The New Police Court.

The progress with the new buildings on the site of the old Police Court is rapid, and is the scene of much activity at the moment. It will however, be some time before the building is anything like completed.

Road Repairs.

The pile of rubble which was located on the spot where the old Clock Tower once stood, is diminishing rapidly; the material being used for the repair of Queen's Road Central, on which a traction engine and coolies have been busy for the past few days.

Latest Advertisements.

Newspapers and periodicals for the current year will be sold at the Peak Club on Friday.—Page 5.

The Oriental Laundry desires two experienced ironers.—Page 5.

A final dividend of \$1, per share has been declared by the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.—Page 5.

High Mass.

To-morrow being the 56th anniversary of the first Apparition of the Immaculate Conception in the grotto of Massabie, on the banks of the river Gave at Lourdes, a solemn High Mass will be celebrated in the Roman Catholic Cathedral at 7.30 in the morning, with a sermon after the Gospel.

Fire at Shaukiwan.

A fire broke out in Shaukiwan last night, the cause of it being the igniting of a grass stack which was used for breasting. Several other grass stacks caught fire, but the police and some coolies in the neighbourhood subdued the flames before more than damage to the extent of \$30 was done.

Colony's Health.

Last week there were ten cases of plague notified in Hongkong (all Chinese), of which nine proved fatal. There were also two fatal cases of small pox, both Chinese, and one non-fatal occurrence of diphtheria, a Chinese. Since the beginning of the year 67 cases of plague have been notified, all save five of which ended fatally.

SIKH TEMPLE QUARREL.

Magistrate Finds None of the Charges Proved.

The lengthy case from the Sikh Temple, which has occupied the attention of the first Police Magistrate, Mr. F. A. Hazell, since November 4, came to an end this morning when his Worship delivered his decision. Lall Singh, Ganda Singh and Kaka Singh were charged by Lall Singh with using threatening, abusive, and insulting language towards him, while a cross-summons by Ganda Singh and Kaka Singh alleged that Lall Singh had used profane and indecent language and threatening words towards them.

Mr. T. H. King, Deputy Captain superintendent of the Police, appeared for Lall Singh, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardiner, for the defendants.

The Magistrate's decision was as follows:—

There were two proceedings with respect to this case. The first was a charge by Lall Singh against Ganda Singh, Kaka Singh, and Kaka Singh. The charge was under Section 23 of Ordinance 1 of 1845, charging the defendants with using threatening abusive and insulting language towards Lall Singh.

The second was a summons by Ganda Singh and Kaka Singh against Lall Singh also under Section 23 of Ordinance 1 of 1845, charging the said Lall Singh with using profane and indecent language and threatening words towards the two complainants, Ganda Singh and Kaka Singh.

The case for the prosecution as regards the first and second defendants was that they threatened to shoot Lall Singh. Lall Singh's evidence with respect to the first is as follows:—"Then the first defendant, addressing me, said, 'You always do such things. I will shoot you with a pistol like the jemadar of the Shanghai Police. I am not afraid.'" With respect to the second defendant, Lall Singh's evidence is as follows:—"After a minute the second defendant came up. He went round our Bible and bowed down; he then got up and said 'Perhaps I will come to the temple, or perhaps I will not. He turned to me and said 'We will shoot you with a pistol.'" With respect to the third defendant, it is alleged that he was holding a stick in his hand and said to Lall Singh, "I will correct you with the stick."

The evidence at the trial, with the exception of Mahan Singh, was so conflicting and given in such an unsatisfactory manner, that no reliance could be placed upon it at all. Mahan Singh was called on the last day of the trial. His demeanour in the witness box created a most favourable impression in my mind. I am satisfied he was telling me the truth. He gave his evidence in English. He stated that Kaka Singh did not say anything at all. He also said that Ganda Singh stated that he was standing before the Holy Book and that he had never stolen any money. Mahan Singh then stated what Kaka Singh said. The exact words used by the witness were:—"Always mischief comes from Lall Singh, and that he would not refrain from doing mischief until he would be shot like the jemadar of Shanghai." There is a great difference between Lall Singh's version as to what happened, when compared with Mahan Singh's version.

As I accept the version given by Mahan Singh, the charge must fail. A threat must be either to injure or procure others to injure a person. A general statement that a person would be shot if he did not refrain from doing a certain act is not a threat within the meaning of the section.

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TRAINING NOTES.

Short Bursts the Order this Morning.

The racecourse now looks like one is accustomed to see it usually, the stands are arranged in order outside the course, and alongside the rails the wooden stands and seats which were well patronised this morning by numerous ladies and gentlemen keen on witnessing the finishing touches being put on the ponies. There is very little to be done now as far as arrangements are concerned; the number boards are up and the customary enclosure have been provided. For the most part, the work was that of speedy last quarters and half mile gallops. The weather was in the favour of good performances though a little cold.

The principal riders at the forthcoming meeting were out and took feelers as regards the capabilities of their mounts. No doubt there are many shattered hopes after the consultations between owners and riders, yet on the other hand many hopes have received a stimulus. The Navy Cuppers have yet to prove the wisdom of the new departure and from appearance, many ticks of the watch have to be wiped off before the venture justifies itself. It is perhaps wise to wait another gallop or two when something like real racing form is shown before throwing out any hints as to likely winners. Naturally the absence of Messrs. Burkill and Johnson will let in, or rather should let in, many of the riders who are not so adept with the ribbons, but then we have fresh blood as it were riding at this meeting, and having the pick of the bunch for mounts, it is very likely to render matters somewhat as they were. It is a pity that Mr. Knoll should have suffered the injury he did last year as he was making rapid strides as a rider, and his judgment of distance and his gauging of time was so improved that everyone looked forward to seeing him lead in on several occasions during next week. However such is the fortune and the misfortune of racing.

Mr. Lindsay presented nice style in the gallops, Mr. Heard is a finished rider with a remarkably useful seat, Mr. Gegg rides in convincing fashion, Mr. Moller possesses all the dash and judgment that brings the best out of a pony. Mr. Jervis, Mr. Bremner, Mr. Brand, Mr. Collis Brown, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Selzwick and Mr. Hickman are all riders who are capable of winning if given anything like mounts with a winning chance.

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HONGKONG WEDDING.

Mr. J. R. Maughan—Miss Winifred Lawrence.

At the Wesleyan Church, this morning, the Rev. Charles Bone, united in holy matrimony Mr. J. Robinson Maughan, A.R.I.B.A., the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Maughan, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Miss Winifred Lawrence, B. Litt., the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lawrence, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne. The bride who arrived by the Nile, was given away by Mr. Colbourne Little. The best man was Mr. Crowther Smith, and the bouquet carried by the bride was his gift. After the ceremony the wedding party was received at the Hongkong Hotel by Mr. and Mrs. Colbourne Little and the happy pair left by the two o'clock boat for Macao, where the honeymoon is being spent.

On their return Mr. and Mrs. Maughan will reside at 11, Kaitake Terrace, Kowloon, where Mrs. Maughan will be at home after the 21st, inst.

A PAWNED BROOCH.

Chinese Charged with Its Theft.

At the Police Court this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazell, Han Wai was charged with stealing a gold brooch from Sybil Rothschild, No. 2, Gage Street.

In answer to the charge, prisoner said:—"Since she is very fond of beer, I pawned it to buy beer for her and then I redeemed it again when I drew my pay."

The accountant at a pawnshop at 43, Cochrane Street said that the brooch was pawned at his shop on January 3, by the defendant for \$4. He had been pawning jewellery with witness before.

Prosecutrix identified the brooch as her property. She last saw it at about Christmas, but she did not miss it until she was shown it by a detective. She never authorised the prisoner to pawn it.

Have you sent him out to pawn things?—No: never. I have no need to.

Do you send him out for beer?—I have a monthly account. I always have beer with my tiffin and I send my man for it and pay at the end of the month.

Other articles were produced in Court, prosecutrix identifying some of them as her property, the prisoner was put back until to-morrow, for two further charges to be preferred.

Damon, —, 35.
Mallard (Lindsay), 32-2-5, 1-04 4-5.
Tinkle Bird (Heard), 30.
Gonda Hop (Seull), 35-4-5, 1-11 1-15, 1-4 3-4.

Robin Hood (Dalgarro), 35-2-5, 1-08 3-5, 1-42 3-5, 1-4 3-4.
Joy (Clarke), 35-2-5, 1-08 3-5, 1-4 3-4.
Saxon Chief, 30-3-5, 1-10 3-5, 1-51 2-5, 2-22 3-5.
Hornet Chief galloped last half mile with above.

Seymour, 42, 1-17 3-5, 1-56 1-5, 2-32, 3-08 1-5, 3-43, 1-4 3-4.
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COMPANY MEETING.

Hongkong Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.

(VERBATIM.)
This morning at the offices of the Company, the annual general meeting of the shareholders in the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company Ltd., was held, the Hon. Mr. D. Landale presiding. There were also present:—Messrs. H. A. Siebs, G. Friesland, E. Goetz, P. H. Holyoak, M. Steger, C. Lindgraf, directors; J. H. V. Figueiredo, J. G. B. Sayer, K. D. Gazdar, M. S. Northcote, A. R. Lowe, L. G. Newall, E. Danenberg, G. J. Sequeira, A. H. M. da Silva, T. F. Hough, O. E. Warren, A. Rodger and J. Arnold, acting secretary.

The Chairman:—It is past the time for which this meeting has been called; I will ask the acting Secretary to read the notice convening the meeting.

The acting Secretary read the notice accordingly.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen—The annual report and statement of accounts, with Auditors' Report attached, having been in your hands for the usual period, I will, with your permission, take them as read. The result of the year's working under review will, I hope, be considered very satisfactory by the shareholders, and I trust the proposed appropriation of funds will meet with your approval. The reason for transferring to credit of Special Repairs Fund a sum of \$30,000, is to provide for the cost of extraordinary repairs to the shell plating and framing of the steamer Honam, the cost of which will come into the current year's working. The value of our steamers has been increased by the cost of the new steamer Taishan, paid for during the year. The balance of her cost stands at debit of Loan Account, namely \$190,000, which will be liquidated as opportunity offers. The value of wharves, hulks and moorings has been increased by the cost of construction of a new steel and concrete wharf at Canton; and by the cost of the extension of the Wing Lok Wharf at Hongkong, both of which have been paid for out of this year's earnings. Value of jointly-owned properties at Canton has been increased by the payment of shenko to the Chinese Government on reclaimed land, and in connection with this matter I am pleased to state that a settlement of this long outstanding question has been at last arrived at between the Provincial Government and the Companies concerned.

I must take this opportunity of publicly expressing the thanks and appreciation of this Board for the valuable advice and services rendered in connection with this matter by H.M.'s Counsel General and Vice-Counsel, and the Company's Agents, Messrs. Deacon & Co. Ltd. at Canton, for it is certainly due to their untiring efforts that the matter has been so far satisfactorily settled.

During the year under review we have disposed of shares and debentures in Public Companies amounting to \$143,377.50, and you will be pleased to note that our investments under this heading still stand at \$739,872.50 at the close of the year as against \$826,650.00 on 31st December 1912, showing an appreciation in value, as adjusted to rates prevailing on 31st December 1913, of \$57,408.55 which amount has been carried to the credit of Fluctuation Account. Loans on mortgage remains the same as in last year's report and, as is customary, the properties have been re-valued and surveyed by the Company's Civil Engineers Messrs. Palmer and Turner. The new steamer Taishan was completed towards the middle of November, and after successful speed trials was accepted from the builders, since when she has been profitably employed on the Hongkong-Macao service. She is very popular with all classes of passengers and fully justifies her position in the service. This steamer replaced the steamer Sui An on the line, which, after general overhaul and having increased saloon staterooms fitted, was placed on the Macao-Canton Line to improve that service.

Traffic during the year has been very erratic and uncertain

SPECIAL CABLES.

TWO PLANTERS MURDERED.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY ON BORNEO ESTATE.

(From our own Correspondent.)

Singapore Received Feb. 10.

Two European planters—Mr. Pauw, manager, and Mr. Leggart, assistant, of the Melalap Estate, Borneo, were murdered on January 27.

Mr. Pauw woke up a Japanese coolie, who stabbed him with a kris, and Mr. Leggart intervened and was also stabbed, dying in twelve hours. Mr. Pauw received a dozen stabs and died immediately.

BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.

WIDOW OF EX-GOVERNOR OF COCOS ISLAND SUED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore Received Feb. 10.

Mr. Gustav Siemens, formerly Secretary of the Van Wijk Hotel, is suing Mrs. Olmies Ross, widow of the late Governor of Cocos Island, for breach of promise. He claims \$20,000 damages.

and passage fares remained very low until towards the end of August when all the competing companies agreed to a mutual working agreement for the maintenance of passage rates on a paying basis. This system I am pleased to say has worked satisfactorily for all concerned.

The loss in exchange on subsidiary coins for the year is the largest on record, namely \$58,540.30. I hope to see a reduction in this annual loss when the new law comes into force in this colony during the early part of the current year. I do not think there is anything else calling for special mention, but should any shareholders require any further information, I shall have much pleasure in answering any questions.

I propose that the report and accounts be adopted.

Mr. M. S. Northcote:—I have much pleasure in recording the adoption of the report and accounts.

The Chairman:—It has been proposed that the report and accounts be adopted and the matter is now before the meeting for discussion.

Mr. A. R. Lowe:—According to your address the Fluctuation Account is about eighteen per cent. of the investment. Originally you used to transfer the profit realisation to the Profit and Loss Account. It seems to me that this is very high reserve against your investments, and you can take this special reserve if you want out of that excess in the Fluctuation Account, from that reserve account to the other reserve account. That leaves \$30,000 more in profit and loss which is realised profit. There seems to be a reserve for everything in this company, and if you turn back to the meeting of 1895 where the shareholders have put their view as to the running of this company, before the directors, it was stated that it was not necessary, not being an insurance company, to have such big reserves. The mention of a profit of \$57,000 in your speech is not clearly in your account. Why not use that special profit to provide the special reserve, special charges? I only suggest that for the directors, but it seems to me more money would be available for dividend and the profits can stand it. In 1910 the Company made \$229,000 odd and they paid a dividend of two lakhs, and this year they make \$255,000 and they only propose to pay \$180,000 in dividend; and then apart from the \$57,000 profit on the shares, I take it that the ships are written down on a proper basis so that these reserve funds that you have are intact. I do not wish to inconvenience the Board in any way. This money, it seems to me, could be treated next year, for next year's interim dividend, if you do not wish to alter the present appropriation.

Mr. Sayer:—There is one thing I should like to ask of the Chairman before it is put to the meeting. The Profit and Loss Account on steamers and wharves is \$54,000 odd. This seems to be a very vague sort of arrangement. I am sure of one thing, the directors and anybody who placed it in the accounts, know anything about the shareholders. I do not see how they can understand them in the slightest degree. I should like to know whether that amount means salaries to office staff or

only for repairs to steamers and repairs to the wharves? I think for the benefit of the shareholders we might have that subdivided as the shareholders on looking at the balance sheet would know what they are reading. There is another thing, sir, I notice according to the report that the Taishan was put on the run, and that there was a very grand outing on that occasion. I do not see any mention of that on the balance sheet; whether it was paid for by the directors and the secretary, or whether it was paid for by the shareholders. A good many of the shareholders agreed with me when spoken to on the matter that they were not treated with the courtesy that they might have been, and also that outsiders who have no claim whatever on the Company were invited, while shareholders, who are really the backbone of the Company, got none. If the directors paid for it out of their own pockets I cannot say any more, on behalf of the shareholders, but if the shareholders paid for it, I think the courtesy should have been shown by the directors to have invited the shareholders.

The Chairman:—In reference to the account of \$57,408.55 increase in the value of shares, that is not all realised profit and it has been the policy of the directors since the opening of this Fluctuation Account, to transfer any alteration in the value of the Company's holding of shares to that account. If it is found later on that it is necessary to deal with the balance of that account, your directors will make a recommendation to the shareholders. With regard to the remarks made about dividend, the Company has several heavy disbursements to meet—some expenditure in the way of a new wharf at Canton and the cost of the new steamer \$190,000 has not all been paid yet and the directors do not think it would be wise to recommend payment of any larger dividend than they have done. The amount of \$54,714.30 as shown in the account for repair to steamers and wharf includes no salaries; it is entirely as stated with regard to steamers and wharves. The directors went out on a trial trip in the new Taishan in order to satisfy themselves that the ship was in a satisfactory state to be taken over by the company, and invitations to that trial trip were kept, in view of economy, to as few a number as were thought necessary. Now gentlemen if there are no other questions, it is proposed by myself and seconded by Mr. Northcote that the report and accounts be carried. Those in favour. Against.

SANITARY BOARD.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon a letter was read from the Government relative to the reclamation of the foreshore at Shauiwan.

Dr. Fitzwilliams moved:—I have not seen the papers before—surely it is not the disturbance of the foreshore by the people, that causes the smell; it is exposure by the receding tide.

and Mr. Holyoak has been proposed by Mr. Newall and seconded by Mr. Lowe. Those in favour signify in the usual way—those against—carried unanimously.

Mr. Goetz:—I beg to propose the reelection of Messrs. A.O.D. Gourdin and W.H. Potts as auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$400 each.

Mr. Sequeira:—I have much pleasure in seconding that.

The Chairman:—It has been proposed by Mr. Goetz and seconded by Mr. Sequeira that Messrs. A.O.D. Gourdin and W.H. Potts be reelected for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$400 each. Those in favour please signify in the usual way—against—carried unanimously.

The Chairman:—That is all the business, dividend warrants are now ready and may be had on application.

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Movement for a Band and a hall.

A movement has been started to form a drum and pipe band and also to establish a Scouts' Hall for the St. Joseph's College Boys Scouts and the Body Guard. The following donations have been received:—

Anonymous Supporter, \$300.

Mr. Ho Kom-tong, \$200.

The latter gentleman, remarking in his letter on the splendid work the movement is doing in the Colony, sends his subscription to the Boys with his best compliments. The fund is worthy of the support of all and all donations will be acknowledged in the press and by the Scoutmaster, Mr. A. J. Edwards, St. Joseph's College.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. M. s.s. MANCHURIA arrived at San Francisco on the 2nd February.

The C.P.R. s.s. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA was 1000 miles from Yokohama on the 7th inst., at 10 p.m. and is due to arrive Yokohama on the 10th inst., at noon and leave Yokohama on the 11th inst., at 7 a.m.

The I.G.M. s.s. DERFFLINGER which left here on the 5th inst., at 6 p.m., arrived at Shanghai on the 8th inst., at 1 p.m.

The German s.s. RAJAH has left Sandakan and may be expected here on or about the 12th inst.

The E.A. s.s. ST. ALBANS from Sydney etc., left Port Darwin for this port (via Timor and Manila) on the 9th inst., and may be expected to arrive here on the 21st inst.

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THE members of the Peak Club are reminded that the newspapers and periodicals for the current year will be sold in the Club at 7 p.m. on Friday next, 13th inst.

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THE FINAL DIVIDEND of \$1.00 per Share, declared at the ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS, held This Day, will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after TUESDAY, the 10th February, 1914.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, 10th Feb., 1914.

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Hoerde	17th Mar.	Sambila	25th Apr.

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For Havre, Bremen & H'burg; O. J.D. Ahlers	24th Feb.	For Victoria, V'ver S'ile & P. (Or.)	27th Mar.
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For Marcellies, Havre & H'burg; Sithonia	6th Mar.	For Havre & H'burg; Scandia	26th Mar.
For M'les, H'vre, R'dam & H'burg; Bermuda	8th Mar.	For Havre, Emden & Hamburg; Assyria	4th April.
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Destination.	Subject to Alteration	Sailing Date
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, via Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Colombo, Suez, & Port Said.	Kitano Maru Capt. F. Cope T. 16,000	WEDNES., 11th Feb. at 10 a.m.
	Iyo Maru Capt. Hirase T. 12,500	WEDNES., 25th Feb. at 10 a.m.

VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE	Tamba Maru Capt. J. Teranaka T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 10th Feb. at noon.
Shanghai, via Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, and Yokohama	Aki Maru Capt. Noma T. 12,500	TUES., 24th Feb., at noon.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville and Brisbane	Nikko Maru Capt. Takeda T. 9,600	WEDNES., 11th Feb. at noon.
	Kumano Maru Capt. M. Winckler T. 9,300	WEDNES., 11th Mar. at noon.

CALCUTTA via S'pore, Penang and Rangoon	Sanuki Maru Capt. Deguchi T. 12,500	SATURDAY, 21st Feb.
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BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo	Jinsen Maru Capt. Sano T. 5,000	TUESDAY, 17th Feb.
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KOBE & Yokohama	Katori Maru Capt. Murai T. 20,000	WEDNES., 11th Feb. at 11 a.m.
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NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokohama	Kumano Maru Capt. M. Winckler T. 9,300	WED., 11th Feb. at 11 a.m.
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SHANGHAI, Moji and Kobe	Rangoon Maru Capt. Date T. 6,000	TUESDAY, 17th Feb.
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SHANGHAI, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama	Hakata Maru Capt. Nomura T. 12,000	FRIDAY, 13th Feb.
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Kitano Maru	16000 tons	sails Wednesday, 11th February.
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Iyo	12500 "	" 25th "
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Hirano	16000 "	" 11th March.
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Katori	20000 "	" 25th "
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Kamo	16000 "	" 8th April.
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Kashima	20000 "	" 22nd "
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Shidzuoka Maru	12500 tons	sails Tuesday, 27th January.
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Tamba	12500 "	" 10th February.
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Aki	12500 "	" 24th "
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Sado	12500 "	" 10th March.
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Yokohama	12500 "	" 24th "
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Awa	12500 "	" 7th April.
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Shidzuoka	12500 "	" 21st "
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For SHANGHAI	Steamers	To Sail.
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For SHANGHAI	Fenglien	12th Feb. at 4 p.m.
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For SHANGHAI	Kueichow	13th Feb. at noon
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For SHANGHAI	Szechuen	13th Feb. at 4 p.m.
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For SHANGHAI	Chenan	14th Feb. at m'night
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For SHANGHAI	Shaochshing	17th Feb. at noon
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For SHANGHAI	Taming	17th Feb. at 4 p.m.
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For SHANGHAI	Anhui	19th Feb. at 4 p.m.
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For SHANGHAI	Chinhua	19th Feb. at 4 p.m.
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Tjikini	JAVA	2nd half Feb.	2nd half Feb.
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Shanghai Mishaps.

While coming up river at Shanghai on the evening of February 2 the B. I. steamer Corolla ran down a stone junk at the Standard Oil wharf. The junk foundered immediately and one of the crew is reported to have been drowned. The wreck was subsequently blown up by the Harbour Authorities. The N. Y. K. steamer Unkai Maru vent ashore on the middle ground below the Flour Mills, Shanghai, while outward bound on the morning of February 1 but was refloated without assistance the same afternoon and proceeded on her voyage.

Japanese Grant.

The S. upbuilding Encouragement Grant given by the government of Japan for vessels constructed in the country has been fixed for the current year at ¥830,000.

Steamer Wrecked.

The Japanese steamer Kenkon Maru No. 11, 3542 tons, which left Samarang for Japan on January 8, went ashore on the following day on the Kamber Shoals, Krimon Java Island, and will probably become a total loss. She was formerly the Glen Line Steamer Glenesk, built in 1891, and was purchased by Japan in June, 1913.

Gold Production.

The world's production of gold during the calendar year 1911 is estimated by the Director of the Mint at Washington to have been \$1,000,000, or \$2,200,000 less than the value of the product of 1912. The production of the United States during 1913 was \$17,860,205, a decrease, as compared with the previous year, of \$1,000,000.

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The proprietor of the Daily Telegraph (Lord Burnham) has celebrated his eightieth birthday. Notwithstanding his advanced age, Lord Burnham is still an active habitué of Fleet-street, and as virile an organiser as ever. He visits his office every day. He is one of the most notable of English journalists. He was the first to make use of the powers of newspapers in the cause of charity, when he collected thousands of pounds in aid of the cotton spinners, who were rendered destitute during the American Civil War. He planned the expedition to Central Africa in search of the explorer Livingstone. The staff of all the papers subscribed towards a birthday gift for the old journalist, and this was presented to him at his home in Bucking-hamshire.

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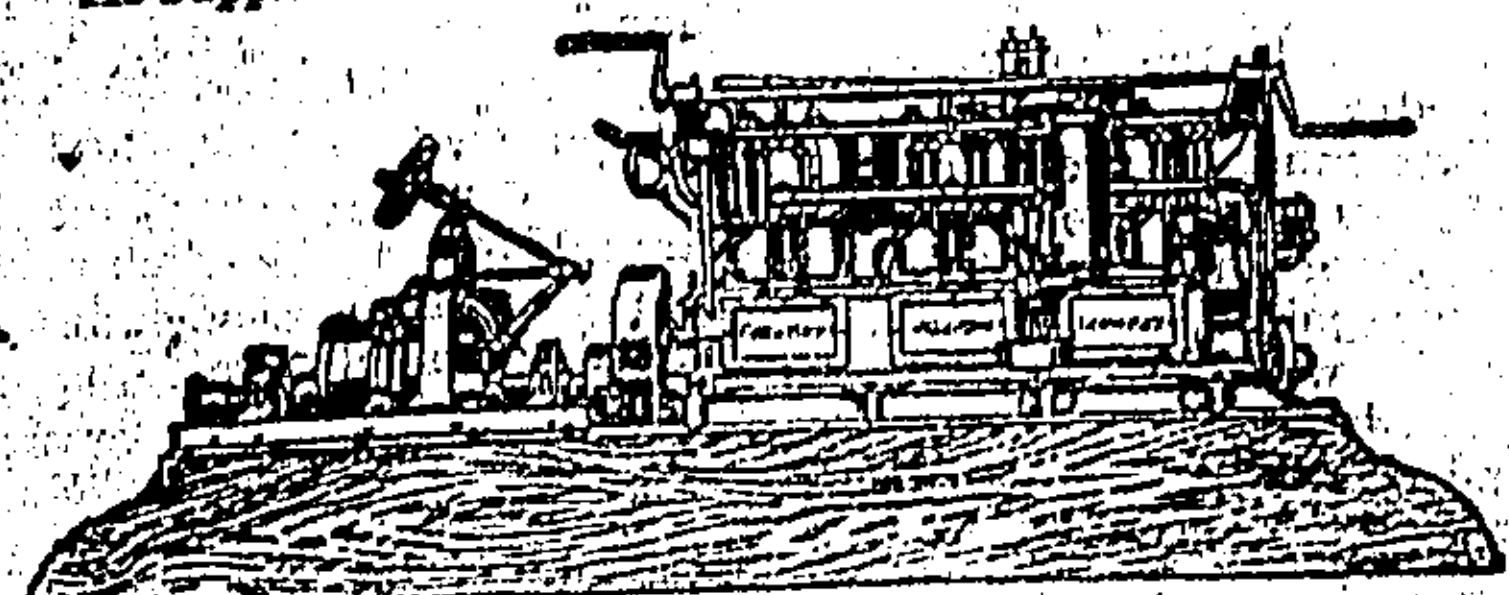
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London, via Usual Ports of Call	China	P. & O.	14, Feb.
Trieste, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, etc.	Bohemia	S. W. Co.	15, Feb.
Niles, G'oa, A'rs, Lisbon S'ton, London & Antwerp via S'pore &c.	Gosben	M. & Co.	15, Feb.
New York	Nyanza	P. & O.	18, Feb.
Marseilles, via Ports	Erroll	D. Co.	24, Feb.
Marseilles, London & Antwerp	Magellan	M. M. Co.	24, Feb.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	25, Feb.
M'sles, Havre, R'dam & Hamburg	Suevia	H. A. L.	26, Feb.
Marseilles & Hamburg	Thuringen	N. D. L.	26, Feb.
London and Antwerp	Spezia	H. A. L.	3, Mar.
Marseilles, via Ports	Bermuda	H. A. L.	4, Mar.
Marseilles, Dunkirk, Antwerp, R'dam and Bremen/H'burg	Sibonia	H. A. L.	8, Mar.
Havre, Emden and Hamburg	Den of Airlie	J. M. Co.	8, Mar.
Bremen	Nera	M. M.	10, Mar.
London via Plymouth	Mark	N. D. L.	10, Mar.
Havre, Emden and Hamburg	Goettingen	N. D. L.	28, Mar.
Bremen	Glenlogan	S. T. Co.	31, Mar.
Marseilles, Antwerp, R'dam, Bremen/H'burg	Tuebingen	N. D. L.	E. of M.
Marseilles via Ports	Lothringen	N. D. L.	M. of Apr.
Havre, Dunkirk, Emden and Hamburg/Bremen	Dumbea	M. M.	19, May.

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San Francisco and San Pedro	Hazel Dollar	R. D. Co.	12, Feb.
San Francisco, via Shanghai, M'ia, Japan and Honolulu	Shinyo M.	T. K. K.	13, Feb.
San Francisco, via S'hai & Japan &c.	Erroll	N. Y. K.	14, Feb.
San Francisco, via S'hai & Japan &c.	Aki M.	N. Y. K.	24, Feb.
San Francisco, via S'hai & Japan &c.	Korea	P. M. Co.	24, Feb.
Boston & New York via Ports	Kasama	S. T. Co.	25, Feb.
and Suez Canal	Panam	O. S. K.	4, Mar.
Victoria, B.C., & T'mavia S'hai &c.	E. of Japan	C. F. R.	5, Mar.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	Chiyon M.	T. K. K.	7, Mar.
Francisco, via Shanghai, M'ia, Japan and Honolulu	Radnorshire	J. M. Co.	8, Mar.
Victoria V'v'er S'hai & P.	China	P. M. Co.	14, Mar.
San Francisco via S'hai & Japan &c.	E. of Russia	C. P. R.	19, Mar.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	R. Dollar	R. D. Co.	31, Mar.
San Francisco, via Shanghai, M'ia, Japan and Honolulu	E. of India	C. P. R.	2, Apr.
Vancouver via S'hai, Japan etc.	Tanyo M.	T. K. K.	4, Apr.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	Monteagle	O. P. R.	8, Apr.
San Francisco and San Pedro	M. S. Dollar	R. D. Co.	16, Apr.

AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	11, Feb.
Australian Ports via Manila	Bohemia	S. W. Co.	15, Feb.
New Guinea, Brisbane, Sydney	P. Waldeemar	M. Co.	21, Feb.
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Australian Ports via Manila	Empire	G. L. Co.	27, Feb.
Aust. alian Ports via Manila	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	20, Mar.
Australia	Changsha	B. & S.	24, Mar.
Australian Ports via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	9, Apr.
Romby via Singapore & Colombo	Tottori M.	N. Y. K.	7, Feb.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Kumano M.	N. Y. K.	11, Feb.
Philippines	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	11, Feb.
Poochow via Swatow & Amoy	O. S. K.	N. Y. K.	11, Feb.
Manila, Thursday, Island etc.	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	11, Feb.
Kobe and Yokohama	Katori M.	N. Y. K.	11, Feb.
Moji and Kobe	Fooksang	J. M. Co.	11, Feb.
Kobe and Yokohama	Riojun M.	N. Y. K.	12, Feb.
Singapore, Batavia, Cheribon, &c.	Katori M.	N. Y. K.	12, Feb.
Shanghai	Hokuto	B. & S.	12, Feb.
Straits and India	Fengtien	B. & S.	12, Feb.
Tientsin via Swatow	Kutsang	J. M. Co.	12, Feb.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Cheongshing	J. M. Co.	12, Feb.
Shanghai	Team	D. & Co.	13, Feb.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Assaye	P. & O.	13, Feb.
Ningpo & Shanghai	Haitan	D. L. Co.	13, Feb.
Bombay via S'pore Port S'ham,	Szechuen	B. & S.	13, Feb.
Penang & Colombo	Indo M.	O. S. K.	13, Feb.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama	Hokata M.	N. Y. K.	13, Feb.
Shanghai and Tientsin	Chenan	B. & S.	14, Feb.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	14, Feb.
Tamsui via Swatow & Amoy	Daigi Maru	O. S. K.	15, Feb.
Swatow, Amoy & Poochow	Haiyang	D. L. Co.	17, Feb.
Manila, Cebu & Iloilo	Taming	B. & S.	17, Feb.
Singapore	Lovat	J. M. Co.	17, Feb.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	17, Feb.
Anping, Takao via S'pore & Amoy	Sosho M.	O. S. K.	18, Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Ambria	H. A. L.	18, Feb.
Shanghai	Anhui	B. & S.	19, Feb.
S'hai, Nagasaki, Kobe & Y'hama	Klei-t	M. & Co.	19, Feb.
Romby via S'pore & P'ang & R'gon	Jinsen M.	N. Y. K.	9, Feb.
Philippines	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	21, Feb.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Torilla	D. S. Co.	21, Feb.
C'ta vi S'pore P'ang & R'gon	Sanuki M.	N. Y. K.	21, Feb.
Shanghai, Y'hama, Kobe & Moji	Yedio	N. A. Co.	21, Feb.
Y'hama and Kobe via Shanghai	Avstria	S. W.	3, Mar.
Kobe	Coblenz	M. & Co.	4, Mar.
Shanghai	Borneo	M. Co.	8, Mar.
Jessellton, Kudat and Sandakan	M. M.	M. M.	9, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe & Y'hama	Altantique	M. M.	10, Mar.
Shanghai, Y'hama, Kobe & Moji	Peking	A. N. Co.	21, Mar.
Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Futaba	J. M. Co.	Q. desp.
Japan	Titaroom	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tijikini	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tijonanas	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tijmah	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tijlwoong	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.
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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

VESSELS ADVISED TO DEPART TO-MORROW.

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CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. s.s. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA left Vancouver on the 30th Jan. The C. P. R. s.s. EMPRESS OF INDIA arrived at Shanghai on the 8th February, at 8.30 a.m. left on the 8th February, at 5 p.m. and is due to arrive Nagasaki on the 10th February, at 5 a.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. s.s. ST. ALBANS left Sydney for this Port on 28th ult., via Queensland Ports, Port Darwin, Timor and Manila and may be expected to arrive here on or about 21st February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KUMANO MARU (Australian Line) left Melbourne for this Port on the 3rd ult., and is expected here on the 11th February.

ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. s.s. ASSAYE left Singapore for this Port on the 8th instant, at 6.30 a.m., with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 13th instant, at about 5 a.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. s.s. KAMO MARU (European Line) left London for this Port via the 17th ult., and is expected here on the 25th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KATORI MARU (European Line) left Singapore for this Port on the 1st inst., and is expected here on the 10th February.

The N.Y.K. s.s. AKI MARU (American Line) left Kobe for this Port via Moji and Shanghai on the 6th inst., and is expected here on the 15th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. HAKATA MARU (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this Port on the 13th inst., and is expected here on the 18th instant.

The N. Y. K. s.s. RANGOON MARU (Bomby Line) left Bombay for this Port on the 30th January, and is expected here on the 11th instant.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KASHIMA MARU (European Line) left London for this Port via ports on the 31st January, and is expected here on the 11th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SADO MARU (American Line) left Seattle for this Port on the 3rd January.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SADO MARU (American Line) left Seattle for this Port on the 3rd January.

The s.s. GLENLOGAN passed the Suez Canal on the 27th ult., for Hongkong via Straits.

The s.s. ATHOLL (of the Mogul Line) sailed from New York on 14th Jan., and is due to arrive here on or about 14th February.

The s.s. SATSUMA (of the Barber Line) sailed from New York on 14th Jan., and is due to arrive here on or about 14th March.

The s.s. PATHAN (of the Mogul Line) sailed from New York on 14th Jan., and is due to arrive here on or about 14th March.

The L. O. S. N. s.s. WAISHING from Swatow is due at Hongkong on the 12th February.

The S. L. s.s. RADNORSHIRE from Europe is due at Hongkong on the 8th March.

The S. L. s.s. DEN OF AIRLIE from Pacific is due at Hongkong on the 5th March.

The Barber Line s.s. CHALISTER sailed from New York on the 4th instant, for Hongkong.

The H. A. L. s.s. AMBRIA left Sabang on the 6th instant, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 16th instant.

The s.s. APOAR from Calcutta left Singapore on the 7th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 11th inst.

The Ben Line s.s. BENLOMOND from Antwerp, Leith, Middlebro, and London left Singapore for this Port on 6th inst., and may be expected to arrive here on or about 15th inst.

The H. A. L. s.s. PREUSSEN left Shanghai on the 8th instant, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 11th instant.

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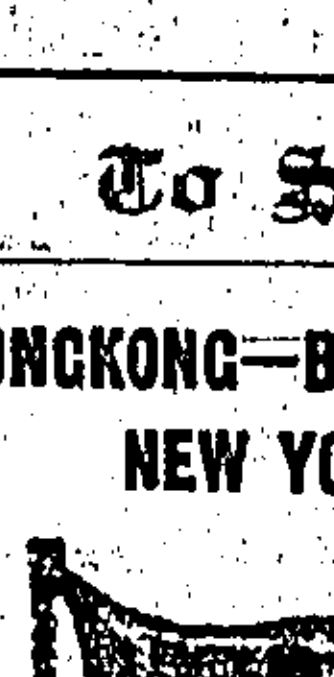
Steamers.									
Standard, Norw. s.s. 543, A. B. Bull, 20th ult.—Saloon, 16th ult. Rice—Chinese.									
Ohlbi, Br. s.s. 1,800, McIntosh, 21st ult. Swatow, S'hai ult. Gen.—B. & S.									
Emp. of Asia, Br. s.s. 8,883, S. Robinson 22nd ult.—Vancouver, 3rd ult. Gen.—O. P. R. Co.									
Phu Nam, Br. s.s. 1,025, N. G. Major 21st ult.—Saloon, 16th ult. Rice & Gen.—A. B. & Co.									
Telemachus, Br. s.s. 1,350, Fraser, 21st ult.—Saloon, 16th ult. Rice—Chinese.									
Liangchow, Br. s.s. 5,336, F. W. Cullum, 25th ult.—Shanghai, 22nd ult. Gen.—B. and S.									
Tijpanas, Br. s.s. 2,443, R. Oldenburger, 25th ult.—Moji, 20th ult. Coal & Gen.—J. C. J. L.									
Hollow, Br. s.s. 999, McCulloch, 27th Jan.—Port Courbet, 24th Jan. Gen.—B. and S.									
Michael Jensen, Ger. 931, J. Jacobsen, 22nd ult.—Hollow, 21st ult. Rice—Chinese.									
Canada Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,760, H. Hamamoto, 25th Jan.—Shanghai, 22nd Jan. Gen.—O. S. K.									
Chinkiang, Br. s.s. 4,319, G. R. Ainslie, 27th Jan.—Bangkok, 18th Jan. Rice—N. D. L.									
Inaba Maru, 2,895 Shinhoo, 27th January—Moji, 22nd Jan. Gen.—N.Y.K.									
Ceylon Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,42, J. Noguichi, 29th Jan.—Singapore, 23rd Jan. Gen.—N. Y. K.									
Dilwara, Br. s.s. 3,603, A. W. Ramage, 30th Jan.—Calcutta, 13th Jan. Gen.—D. S. & Co.									
Kjeld, Norw. s.s. 910, T. Holles, 30th Jan.—Saloon, 24th Jan. Rice—Order Rubi, Ame. s.s. 1,403, J. Miller, 30th Jan. Manila, 27th Jan. Gen.—S. T. & Co.									
Silesia, Ger. s.s. 2,845, Christiansen, 29th ult.—Shanghai, 25th ult. Gen.—H. A. L.									
Hongkong Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,461, S. Togo, 31st Jan.—Shanghai, 28th Jan. Gen.—T. K. K.									
Taiyo Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,695, T. Funoto, 30th Jan.—Ching-wan-tao, 23rd Jan. Coal—Chinese.									
Benvenus, Br. s.s. 3,938, N. Kroble, 31st Jan.—Singapore, 24th Jan. Gen. G. L. and Co.									
Ferria, Br. s.s. 2,744, J. Hill, 31st Jan.—San Francisco, 30th Dec. Gen.—P. M. Co.									
Selun, Norw. s.s. 865, D. Hovbrenden, 1st inst.—Bangkok, 25th ult. Rice—Chinese.									
Titaroom, Dut. s.s. G. N. Bouman, 2nd inst.—Java, 25th ult. Gen.—J. C. J. L.									
Vorwaerts, Aus. s.s. 3,727, Olmaloch, 31st Jan.—Singapore, 23rd Jan. Gen. P. W. & Co.									
Kaiserin Elisabeth, Aus. Cruiser, 4,000, R. Makovic, 2nd inst.—Foolchow, 31st inst.									
Shanton, Br. s.s. 1,081, Bouch, 2nd inst.—Swatow, 1st inst. Ballast—B. & S.									
Demodocus Br. s.s. 4,360, A. E. Dodd, 4th inst.—Singapore 29th ult. Gen.—B. and S.									
Kumchow, Br. s.s. 1,540, Martin, 3rd inst.—Fule Lant, 25th ult. Sugar—Chinese.									
Shinyo Maru, Jap. s.s. 7,228, H. S. Smith 4th inst.—San Francisco, 8th ult. Gen.—T. K. K.									
Taiyuen, Br. s.s. 1,469, Brown, 4th inst.—Manila, 1st inst. Gen.—B. & S.									
Tamon Maru No. 13, Jap. s.s. 3,001, Nomura, 3rd inst.—Moji, 28th ult. Coal—M. B. K.									
Tijlatap, Dut. s.s. 2,746, Scheunbeck, 3rd inst.—Tijlatap, 22nd ult. Sugar—J. C. J. L.									
Elger, Norw. s.s. 575, E. Walsgren, 4th inst.—Dairen, 28th ult. Gen.—Chinese.									
Hazel Dollar, Br. s.s. 3,403, M. Ridley, 4th inst.—Manila, 1st inst. Lumber.—H. D. Co.									
Kalibia, Br. s.s. 3,985, Stewart, 4th inst.—Bombay, 30th ult. Ballast—D. & Co.									
Kamakura Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,798, T. Hori, 5th inst.—Singapore, 28th inst. Gen.—N. Y. K.									
Bombay Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,393, M. Tozawa, 31st Jan.—Singapore, 24th Jan. Gen.—N. Y. K.									
Kwongsang, Br. s.s. 1,428, W. F. Bichard, 5th inst.—Shanghai, 1st inst. Gen.—J. M. and Co.									
S. Rickmers, Dut. s.s. 575, B. Y. Jagt, 4th inst.—Swatow, 3rd inst. Ballast—A. P. Co.									
Chinhua, Br. s.s. Bindlayson, 6th inst.—Haiphong, 2nd inst. Gen.—B. & S.									
Empire, Br. s.s. 2,843, E. Secher, 5th inst. Manila, 2nd inst. Gen.—G. L. and Co.									
Empress of Japan, Br. s.s. 3,039, W. D. Hopcraft, 6th inst.—Shanghai, 3rd inst. Gen.—O. P. R. Co.									
Tientsin, Br. s.s. 1,238, M. O. Garey, 5th inst.—Wakamatsu, 29th ult. Coal—B. and S.									
Tijliwong, Br. s.s. 3,023, J. P. Lisslie, 6th inst.—Java, 25th ult. Gen.—J. C. J. L.									
Aragonia, Ger. s.s. 3,823, A. Enk, 6th inst.—Sabang, 28th ult. Gen.—H. A. L.									
Halvard, Br. s.s. 1,056, Beck, 6th inst.—Bullk Japan, 29th ult. Gen.—J. C. J. L.									
Hong Wan I, Br. s.s. 2,060, Maier, 2nd inst.—Singapore, 1st inst. Gen.—Chinese.									
Kwangshai, Chi. s.s. 1,623, Stewart, 6th inst.—Shanghai, 3rd inst. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.									
Liangchow, Br. s.s. 5,336, Wm. Benson, 6th inst.—Shanghai, 3rd inst. Gen.—B. and S.									
Minnesota, Amer. s.s. 207.8, Grellet, 6th inst.—Seattle, 30th Dec. Gen.—N. Y. K.									
Tottori Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,765, A. E. Moses, 6th inst.—Singapore, 3rd inst. Gen.—N. Y. K.									
Sulzang, Br. s.s. 1,070, Beaupre, 6th inst.—Moji, 31st ult. Coal—J. M. & Co.									
Sungkiang, Br. 879, Mathias, 6th inst.—Manila, 3rd inst. Gen.—B. & S.									
Spesia, Ger. s.s. 2,242, Homke, 7th inst.—Singapore, 30th ult. Gen.—H. A. L.									
Luchow, Br. s.s. 1,221, Metheurl, 8th inst.—Shanghai, 5th inst. Gen.—B. and S.									
Hallow, 6th inst. Coal—J. & Co.									
Luzon Maru, Jap. s.s. Sikawa, 7th inst.—Singapore, 30th ult. Gen.—O. S. K.									
Moumounthire, Br. s.s. 3,975, F. P. Eccles, 30th inst.—Manila, 5th inst. Gen.—J. M. and Co.									
Nikko Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,447, R. Takada, 9th inst.—Nagasaki, 5th inst. Gen.—N. Y. K.									
Nora, Fr. s.s. 5,533, Vallset, 9th inst.—Saloon, 6th inst. Gen.—M. M.									
Riojan Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,976, Yumaguchi, 7th inst.—Sourabaya, 59th ult. Sugar—D. & Co.									
Romany, Br. s.s. 3,995, Milner, 8th inst.—Singapore, 1st inst. Bulk oil—A. P. & Co.									
Szechuen, Br. s.s. 1,328, Plochar, 7th inst.—Saloon, 2nd inst. Rice—B. & S.									
Taiwan Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,933, Kato, 7th inst.—Moji, 1st inst. Coal—M. B. K.									
Wuhu, Br. s.s. 1,327, Howard, 7th inst.—Ching-wan-tao, 1st inst. Coal—B. & S.									
Nile, Br. s.s. 4,188, H. Powell, 8th inst.—London, 27th Dec. Gen.—P. & O. Co.									
Wingsang, Br. s.s. 1,517, Liahman, 8th inst.—Wakamatsu 2nd inst. Coal—J. M. and Co.									
Zafiro, Ame. s.s. 1,449, F. S. McMurray, 9th inst.—Manila, 6th inst. Gen.—S. T. & Co.									

TIDE TABLE.									
9th Feb., to 15th Feb. 1914.									
Hour	Day	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water
Hour	Day	Mean	Mean	Mean	Mean	Mean	Mean	Mean	Mean
Mon.	9	10	53	5.0	7	41	6.4	10	53
Tues.	10	10	53	4.3	8	41	6.4	10	53
Wed.	11	10	53	4.3	8	41	6.4	10	53
Thurs.	12	No inferior	11	4.0	6	41	6.4	10	53
Fri.	13	No inferior	11	4.0	6	41	6.4	10	53
Satur.	14	No inferior	11	4.0	6	41	6.4	10	53
Sun.	15	10	53	4.3	8	41	6.4	10	53

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Commercial.

Castlefield Rubber Estate.
The report of the Castlefield (Klang) Rubber Estate, covering the year ended June 30, states that the net profit for the year amounted to £22,122, making, with a balance brought forward of £2,376, a surplus of £24,498. It is now proposed to pay a final dividend of 20 per cent., making 40 per cent. for the year, to transfer to reserve account £5,000, and to carry forward (subject to staff bonus) £5,498. The total rubber crop harvested during the year amounted to 240,851 lbs., being an excess of 30,851 lbs. over the estimated output. The whole of the crop has been shipped, and sold at an average net price of 3s. 2.3d per lb. for all grades, and the cost of production, including freight, was 1s. 2.6d per lb. The "all in" cost, including London office expenses, freight, selling charges, discounts, etc., works out at 1s. 7d. Including depreciation of buildings, etc., the cost was 1s. 7.4d per lb. for the current financial year the output of dry rubber is estimated at 300,000 lbs. During the year 117 acres were planted, and the total cultivated area is now 1,661 acres. It is intended to plant a further 100 acres during the current financial year. The directors have decided to provide for the manufacture of smoked sheet, in order that this description may be delivered when market conditions render this course desirable. It has also become necessary to install a new water scheme in order to ensure the provision of an adequate supply for factory purposes, and also, with a view to improving the health of the European and native staff. Negotiations have been in progress for some time past for the acquisition by this company of the Rosapenna Rubber Estate, and the directors have pleasure in reporting that these negotiations have now been satisfactorily concluded. The property adjoins the Castlefield Estate, and can be very economically worked in connection therewith. The total area of the property is 540 acres, of which 302 acres are planted with rubber trees varying in age from 2½ years to nine months, and a further eighty-three acres have been felled and drained. An independent report on the property has been made by the well-known expert, Mr. H. R. Quarterly, who valued same as on October 20 last at £9,208. The vendor company have agreed to accept 2,000 fully paid shares of £1 each in this company in full settlement of the purchase consideration, and the estate will be taken over as at January 1, 1914. In order to provide for the purchase consideration referred to, and the further capital expenditure involved in bringing the Rosapenna property into full bearing, and also for the water scheme and other capital requirements on Castlefield Estate, the directors have decided to recommend that the capital be increased to £45,000 by the creation of 10,000 additional shares of £1 each, of which 2,000 will be allotted in payment of the Rosapenna purchase consideration, and it is proposed that the remaining 8,000 shares be offered in the first place to existing shareholders pro rata at a premium of £1 10s. per share.

Dutch Rubber Report.
Messrs. Grisar and Co., in their report on the Antwerp rubber trade in 1913, say it is hoped that that reduction in duty plus better quality of the rubber, will enable the Congo house to surmount the crisis, although some trouble may be anticipated with the natives respecting the lower rate established for handling the rubber. The rubber plantations undertaken by the Congo State have progressed normally. The surface planted from Hevea is about 1,000 hectares, and with Fantumia about 1,133 hectares, whilst Manihot takes up 400 hectares. The reduction in the sale price of rubber and difficulties in the management of Government plantations have brought their extension to a standstill. The yield of the Hevea is expected to be satisfactory, as several of the plantations have begun to resemble those of Malaysia, and are quite equal in quality of production to those of the Far East.

Port Rates On Rubber.

With reference to representations made to them by the Rubber Growers' Association, the Port of London Authority announces that it has recently reconsidered the rates and charges on plantation rubber which is an important article of import and storage at the London docks. In view of the fall in the price of the commodity it was deemed desirable to make some concession to the trade, and revised rates equivalent to a decrease of about 10 per cent. on the previous tariff have been adopted experimentally for a period of 12 months.

The new rates which came into operation on January 1 last compare as follows with those hitherto in force:—

Landing rate, per cwt. 64	8d.
Roweighing, per cwt. 2½	2½
Rehousing, per cwt. 2½	2½
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No claims will be admitted after she Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th inst., at 9.30 a.m.

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Hongkong Office,
Hongkong, 6th Feb., 1914. [1156]

Public Companies

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 14th February, 1914 at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1913.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd February (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

NOTICE.
THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, VICTORIA BUILDINGS, on THURSDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1914 at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the REPORT of the DIRECTORS together with Statement of ACCOUNTS for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be closed from TUESDAY 17th to THURSDAY 26th February, 1914 (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment Agency Company, Limited; Agents for the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.

Notices

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 14th day of February, 1914, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1913.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 2nd February, to SATURDAY, the 14th February, 1914 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 28th Jan., 1914. [1150]

DIOCESAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.
School duties will be resumed on Thursday, 12th instant.
For Terms for Boarders or Dayscholars apply to The Headmaster.
Hongkong, 7th Feb., 1914.

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MR. LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years. He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin and Hakka.

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In the most up-to-date style and fashion at the very lowest prices.
Commodious Premises No. 38 & 40 Queen's Road Central,
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The stock includes a choice selection of
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Prices specially reduced for summer.
Cheapest store in the Colony.
An early visit earnestly solicited.
D. CHELLARAM,
Hongkong, July, 26th 1913.

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A French Remedy for all Irritations, Inflammations of the Urinary Organs, Gleet, Stricture, etc., etc. It is the only medicine that acts on the first stage, and is therefore the most effective. It is a purely vegetable preparation, and is therefore safe for all ages. It is sold in all the principal chemists and druggists.
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BRANCHES:—
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Capital and Surplus: \$10,000,000
Gold, \$1,000,000
Silver, \$1,000,000
Cash, \$1,000,000
Total, \$13,000,000

DEPOSITS RECEIVED: fixed for one year at 4 1/2 per cent. per annum, or for shorter periods, at rates, which may be ascertained on application.

LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS granted on all the principal cities in the world.

COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.

PURCHASE AND SALE of Stocks and Shares effected.

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Managers:
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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.
Established 1880.
Authorized Capital Yen 48,000,000
Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000
Reserve Fund " 18,550,000
Head Office:—YOKOHAMA.

Branches:—
Amoy, Canton, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Interest on Current Accounts at 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital £15,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS:
Sterling £1,500,000 at 2/-
Silver 17,430,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors £15,000,000

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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per annum.
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N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

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THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3 Per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 Per Cent. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

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Head Office:—Shanghai.
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INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT,
Manager.
Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
Authorized Capital £1,500,000
Subscribed " 1,125,000
Paid Up " 562,500
Reserve Fund " 415,000

BANKERS:
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank, Limited.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

A. L. LINTON,
Manager.

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE.
Cannot be beaten, if Equalled.
For Bread, Cakes, Confectionery, meals with Wines & Liquors.

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THE "WONDER ZOO" AT OLYMPIA.

The public is accustomed to seeing Olympia transfigured under strange disguises, but never before, perhaps, has it been as completely metamorphosed as it is now, when the greater part of the vast interior is converted into a wilderness of rocky eminences which tower up from the arena above the level of the galleries, of scrub and jungle pools.

One of the most precipitous of the rocky masses is occupied by a troop of Arabian baboons (Hamadryas), the sacred ape of the Egyptians; and the corresponding mountain on the other side holds a score of lions. Between the animals and the spectators there are no visible barriers, but only deep trenches similar to those, with which Mr. Hagenbeck pens his animals at Stellingen. Looking at the animals from the spectators' side, there does not appear to be any very convincing reason why the lions should not jump across at you; but if you are privileged to look at the situation from the lions' point of view you see at once how impossible such a leap would be. No lion could, with the "take off" it has, jump half the distance.

Between the lions and the baboons is a huge aviary filled with brilliantly coloured parrots, macaws, and cockatoos. Not far away about one of the pools on the lower level is a flock of 120 flamingoes who have for their immediate neighbours a large rhinoceros on one side and on the other, a party of kangaroos. This portion of the floor, or arena, of the great building is divided up into irregular allotments (one cannot call them cages or enclosures) which are divided from each other only by rough imitation rock ridges cunningly contrived so that the creatures are just unable to get over them. The annex is partitioned out in somewhat similar fashion. Between the two is the enclosed space where the circus ring is surrounded by seats to hold 5,000 people. In the various allotments, on the "rocks" and in the pools, in pens or cages or patches of paddock, and in the galleries above, there has been assembled an extraordinary collection of over 1,500 birds and beasts and reptiles.

One enclosure there is, which is known as the Kindergarten, where all sorts of young baby things roll about together. Finally there is the circus, where dogs and horses, lions and tigers, elephants, zebras, and chimpanzees give performances, as well as aerial gymnasts (the arena below them safely netted), and the clowns Marceline and Gobert Belling.

The exhibition was opened to the public on Boxing Day, when nearly 37,000 people passed the turnstiles. There have been very large attendances since. The value of the animals exhibited is roughly estimated at about 260,000.

A Poor Excuse.
Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court yesterday, a man was charged with being in possession of Sam pia lottery tickets. His excuse, that he brought the tickets to Hongkong from Macao on behalf of a man who paid his passage, availed him nothing, and he was fined \$100.

Oil in Formosa.
The work of sinking oil wells in Formosa is attracting attention, since the Korean oil deposits have been discovered in Biyonsu, Chinchicko, Taiwan, belonging to the Hoken Petroleum Company. In July last, it is said, a large quantity of oil gushed out, and ever since then there has been a daily output of 70 koka (a koka 30.70 gallons). From the promising oil fields in Rokujukei Kagicho, of which the right to sink oil wells belongs to the Dai Nippon Kerosene Oil Company, an output of oil has been reported. The company is consequently preparing to establish tanks there, considering that the output of oil in the island is more promising. Besides the oil wells referred to, there is another promising oil field in Tabanav, near Trainan. The oil business in Formosa, therefore, is booming.

THE RICHTER C/ SE.

Allegations Against Navy and Foreigners.

The following Reuter's telegrams regarding the Richter case appear in the N. C. Daily News.

Tokyo, Feb. 4.
The political situation is increasingly complicated. A weapon has been furnished to the Opposition by the investigation of alleged corruption permeating the Japanese Navy, which, without any definite information, is alleged to lie beneath the now notorious Siemens-Schuckert sensation.

Mr. Herrmann, manager for Messrs. Siemens and Schuckert, is now incarcerated pending the result of a preliminary examination. Representatives of a number of foreign firms were summoned to-day as witnesses. Meanwhile all allegations are indefinite and judgement has been suspended in every direction. In the Diet, however, the Government is continuously heckled by politicians who bring unsupported charges against individuals, the Premier and Ministers being denounced in addition to Mr. A. M. Pooley, recently correspondent in Tokyo for Reuter's Agency, agent of the armour combine, and Admirals and other officers of the Japanese Navy.

Admiral Saito, Minister of the Navy, says that investigation is proceeding high and low, but he strongly asserts his confidence in the integrity of the Navy as a whole. The activity of the Police Procurator has been stirred to the utmost by tremendous popular clamour. Mass meetings are continually being held and a monster demonstration is being arranged for the near future; it will be addressed by the most prominent members of the Opposition. The police are taking precautions.

It now appears almost certain that the Government will be forced to reduce the Navy Estimates in the Budget, while popular agitation for the reduction of taxes and the abolition of the Business Tax adds to the complications.

Awaiting Further Details.
Tokyo, Feb. 5.

The naval inquiry in connection with the charges of bribery and blackmail is proceeding slowly before a Commission of Inquiry, but trustworthy information is meagre, pending the arrival of papers from the Richter Case from Berlin and the announcement of the findings in the preliminary cases of Mr. Pooley and Mr. Herrmann, who are both imprisoned in Tokyo and will not be let out on bail before the announcement of the Court, which is expected on February 12.

Mrs. Pooley is in St. Luke's Hospital and is steadily improving. The Japanese newspapers are publishing numerous false and sensational reports concerning the condition of Mr. Pooley, and are bringing charges against various foreigners or against the navy according to their political leanings.

In the last three days there have been no developments except that the local representative of Messrs. Vickers has been lengthily examined before the Procurator, who, on being interviewed, stated that the situation was difficult and that the public must wait the announcement of the Court which would undoubtedly throw new light on the entire transaction. Even the Opposition in the Diet is now awaiting further reliable information before introducing a vote of censure by which it hopes to unseat the Government.

A False Alarm.
The Fire Brigade turned out to a false fire alarm, on Sunday to a house in Wellington Street.

IS LIMPOPON COAL.

BUNKERS

can be supplied cheap rates.
SANDAKAN & SEBATTIK
(British North Borneo).
At these ports steamers calling for bunker coal exclusively are exempt from all shipping dues and charges.
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POST OFFICE.

The Assaye, with the English Mail left Singapore on Saturday, 8th inst., at 6 a.m. and is due to arrive here on Friday the 13th inst., at 6 a.m. This packet brings the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all-sea route on the 7th ult. and for despatch overland on the 14th ult.

MAILS DUE.

English, Assaye, 13th inst.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London Jan. 23
Due Shanghai Feb. 7.

MAIL ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Halmun, Swatow, Raiburi, Swatow and Bangkok Chidlar, Swatow and Bangkok Loongsang, Manila, Germana, Caroline Is.

CLOSE MAILS TO-MORROW.

Straits via Ceylon—Per KITANO MARU, 11th inst. 9 a.m.
Haiphong, Haikow, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per TRIUMPH, 11th Feb. 9 a.m.
Haikow & Bangkok—Per SETKA, 11th inst. 9 a.m.
Japan via Nagasaki—Per KUMANO MARU, 11th inst. 10 a.m.
Swatow—Per HAIMUN, 11th Feb. 10 a.m.
Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per NIKKO MARU, 11th inst. 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per KAIJO MARU, 11th inst. 11 a.m.
Japan via Kobe—Per KATORI MARU, 11th inst. 11 a.m.
Japan via Moji—Per FOKUSANG, 11th Feb. 11 a.m.
Japan via Moji—Per RIOJUN MARU, 11th inst. 11 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per ZAFIRO, 11th Feb. 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, 12th Feb.

Japan via Nagasaki and Seattle—Per MINNESOTA, 12th inst. 11 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per HUE, 12th inst. 11 a.m.
Swatow—Per CHEONGSHING, 12th inst. 11 p.m.
Straits and India via Calcutta—Per KUTSANG, 12th Feb. 1 p.m.

FRIDAY 13th Feb.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAITAN, 13th Feb. 10 a.m.
Tientsin—Per KUEIHOW, 13th inst. 10 a.m.
Shanghai & North China, Japan, Egypt, and Europe via Suez—Per SHINYO MARU, 13th inst. 10 a.m.
Ningpo, Shanghai & North China—Per SEZHOEN, 13th inst. 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, 14th Feb.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—The parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 13th inst. 5 p.m.—Per CHINA, 14th inst. 11 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 14th inst. 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, 15th Feb.

Swatow—Per HAIMUN, 15th Feb. 9 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per WINGSANG, 16th Feb. 5 p.m.

MONDAY, 16th Feb.

Shanghai & North China—Per SHAOHSING, 16th Feb. 11 a.m.
Straits & India via Calcutta—Per LOYAT, 17th Feb. 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per TAMING, 17th Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIYANG, 17th Feb. 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 17th Feb.

Shanghai & North China—Per SHAOHSING, 17th Feb. 11 a.m.
Straits & India via Calcutta—Per LOYAT, 17th Feb. 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per TAMING, 17th Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIYANG, 17th Feb. 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 18th Jan.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—The parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 13th inst. 5 p.m.—Per CHINA, 14th inst. 11 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 14th inst. 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, 19th Feb.

Shanghai, North China, Japan, via Nagasaki, United States, South America and Canada via Vancouver (Europe via Siberia)—Per EMPRESS OF ASIA, 19th Feb. 10 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per ANVUI, 19th inst. 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, 21st Feb.

Philippine Islands, Angaur, Yap, Pohn, Wilhelmshafen, Rabau, Harbort, Moji, Matsuy, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand via Brisbane—Per P. WILDEMAR, 21st Feb. 9 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per YUENSANG, 21st inst.

SATURDAY, 7th Mar.

Jessellton, Kudat and Sandakan—Per BORNKO, 7th Feb. 5 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Chidlar, N. v. s. 1, 102, H. N. 1st. 10th inst. —Bangkok 9th inst. Rice T. and Co.

Chihli, Br. s. McIntosh, 9th inst. —Saigon, 4th inst. Rice—B. and S.

Germania, Ger. s. 333, Jepsen, 10th inst. Sydney, 27th Dec. Copra—S. and Co.

Fernley, Br. s. 2, 471, R. C. Appleton, 10th inst. —Ching-wan-tao, 3rd inst. Coal—D. and Co.

Loongsang, Br. s. 1, 029, W. C. O. Leask, 10th inst. —Manila, 7th inst. Gen. J. M. & Co.

Halmun, Br. 441, J. W. Evans, 10th inst. —Swatow, 9th inst. Gen. D. L. & Co.

Hampshire, Br. Cruiser, 10, 510, M. R. Hill, 8th inst. —Colombo.

Rajaburi, Ger. s. 1, 189, J. Wolf, 10th inst. —Bangkok, 1st inst. Rice—B. and S.

Shengkian, Br. s. 1, 359, Cowan, 9th inst. Swatow, 8th inst. Ballast—D. & S.

DEPARTED.

February 10.

Cholung for Singapore, Mathilda for Haikow, Luzon Maru for Kobe, Andalusia for Hamburg, Murex for Kob, Helene for Canton, Liddesdale for Whampoa, Cordillere for Manila, Wom for Yokohama, Wuhu for Canton, Tamba Maru for Seattle.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

February 9.

Wingsang for Canton, Hongkong Maru for San Francisco, Tamon Maru No. 12 for Wakamatsu.

February 10.

Monmouthshire for Antwerp, Nichiyo Maru for Saigon, Kwichow for Canton, Halohing for Foochow, Tainan for Amoy, Chihnan for Hoiho, Bendoran for Kolschlag, Liangchow for Shanghai, Kashing for Saigon, Kitanu Maru for London, Kumano Maru for Yokohama.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Persia for San Francisco etc. on the 7th inst.—E. P. Guerrier, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ramon, Miss A. M. Mitchell, Mrs. F. C. Kendrick, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Walters, Y. Yark, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Swift, Miss G. C. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hunter, H. H. Quahing, Rev. C. A. S. Santiago, Loung Yun-pong, Rev. C. H. Bonfield, Dr. A. P. Wilder, Dr. J. J. Zimmerman, W. H. Burt, Mr. A. Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Swinson, O. H. McClure, S. Cohan, Miss E. Wilde, Miss S. Gest, P. W. Hudson, Miss Z. Arkas, Chien Shue-fen, C. Castro, R. J. Judah, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Landwehr, Mrs. C. M. Knuppinger, Miss E. James, Mrs. O. K. Hines, Mr. and Mrs. A. Jacobins, L. E. Christen, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Messer, G. T. Ripley, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Gest, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cushing, Miss L. Kosha, A. Mueller, Kung Wing-hui, A. Tomquist, A. J. de Souza.

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

London, 3rd Jan.

Arrivals from China—Brasilia, Donbighiro, Glenloch, City of Baroda.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Bayern, Idomenus, Lyonon, Moyune, Polho, Simla, Ixion, Radnorshire.

London, 6th Feb.

Arrivals from China—Atsuta Maru, Furst Bulow, Altmarr, Ietria.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Neleus, Paul Lecat.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 10th at 11.15.—The anticyclone has weakened slightly. It is still central over the lower Yangtze Valley.

Pressure has increased slightly over Tongking and N. Luzon. It is nearly stationary along the south coast of China and in southern districts.

No returns from Japan.

Moderate monsoon is indicated along the east coast of China, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood	E. winds, fresh to moderate; cloudy, drizzling rain or mist.
2 Formosa Channel	N.E. gale, moderating.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Loochoo	as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.
10th February, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Wootock	7a	30.20	5	m	5	b		
Namuro	6a							
Hakodate	"							
Tokio	"							
Kochi	"							
Nagasaki	"							
Kanama	"							
Oshima	"							
Naha	"							
Shiima	"							
Bonin Is.	"							
Chiofo	"	30.33	26	87	w	2	bc	
Hankow	"							
Ichang	"							
Kinkiang	"							
Changsha	"	30.44	26	n	1	bc		
Shanghai	"	30.33	31	n	3	ov		
Guthrie	"	30.36	59	n	2	c		
Sharp P.	"	30.38	49	71	n	2	or	
Amoy	"	30.34	50	86	n	1	or	
Swatow	"	30.29	"	"	"	"	"	
Taihu	"	30.23	"	"	"	"	"	
Tainan	"	30.21	"	"	"	"	"	
Koshun	"	30.22	"	"	"	"	"	
Plores	"	30.22	"	"	"	"	"	
Canton	"	30.30	47	93	n	2	c	
H'kong	"	30.24	55	74	n	3	o	
Gap Rock	"	30.20	"	"	"	"	"	
Macao	"	30.23	50	"	"	"	"	
Wuchow	"							
Pakhoi	"							
Haikow	"	30.22	55	n	2	o		
Pullan	"	30.07	73	cs	4	e		
O. St. J.	"	29.97	75	en	5	b		
Apurri	"	30.15	87	n	2	o		
Manila	"	30.02	74	"	"	"		
Legaspi	"	30.01	74	"	"	"		
Palu	"							
Bacolod	"							
Cebu	"							
Labuan	"	29.96	82					

T. F. Claxton, Director.
Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 10th.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, o detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous	Day	On date	On date
30.25	30.21	30.22	30.22
57	57	57	57
71	74	75	75
ENE	NE	N	N
2	3	1	1
0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0

H.K. Observatory, 10th Feb.
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

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MLA' ANGAUR, YAP, S.A.M.A.R.I. NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	Prinz Waldemar Capt. O. Jurany	SATUR., 21st Feb. 9 a.m.
KOBE	Coblentz Capt. L. Klughist	About TUESDAY, 3rd Mar.
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For Marseilles, Dunkirk, Rotterdam and Bremen/Hamburg: Mark about 10th of Mar.